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The New Sound Steamer Pilgrim.

The American river and Sound steamers belong to a type distinctly American, both in hull and engine, and often in boilers they are unique, and, until the advent of torpedo boats, were unapproached even in their speed. The conditions under which they have been developed are not only different from those

freeboard and more weatherly qualities than those of the river steamer proper, which is never expected to meet a wave more than 2 or 3 feet in height, and never exposed to a seaway.

In giving a detailed description of the latest and probably best specimen of a Sound steamer ever built, it will be interesting to take up some of the characteristic features

modern racing shell, the chief difference being in the form of the midship section, which is almost rectangular, but has rounded corners. This form was foreshadowed even in Fulton's first boat, the Clermont, which for her day was fine, at least in the way of proportions, being 133 feet long by 18 feet in width, and having a depth of 9 feet. In these boats, speed and stability in smooth

boats, both long and light, are, when built of wood, exceedingly elastic, and constantly tend to change their form under the unequal loads to which they are constantly subjected. They are, at the same time, driven by extremely powerful engines, and the hull alone would be far too light to hold its shape at a high speed unless some means were provided for stiffening it. The hog-frames which Ste-

by diagonal timbers called "sponsons." This greatly increases the available space upon the main deck, enabling the offices and many of the storage-rooms, &c., to be placed outside the hull, leaving nearly the whole main deck available for freight or passengers, as the case may be. In the Sound steamers the sponsons are planked in in part or entirely, so that the sea may not strike with force be-

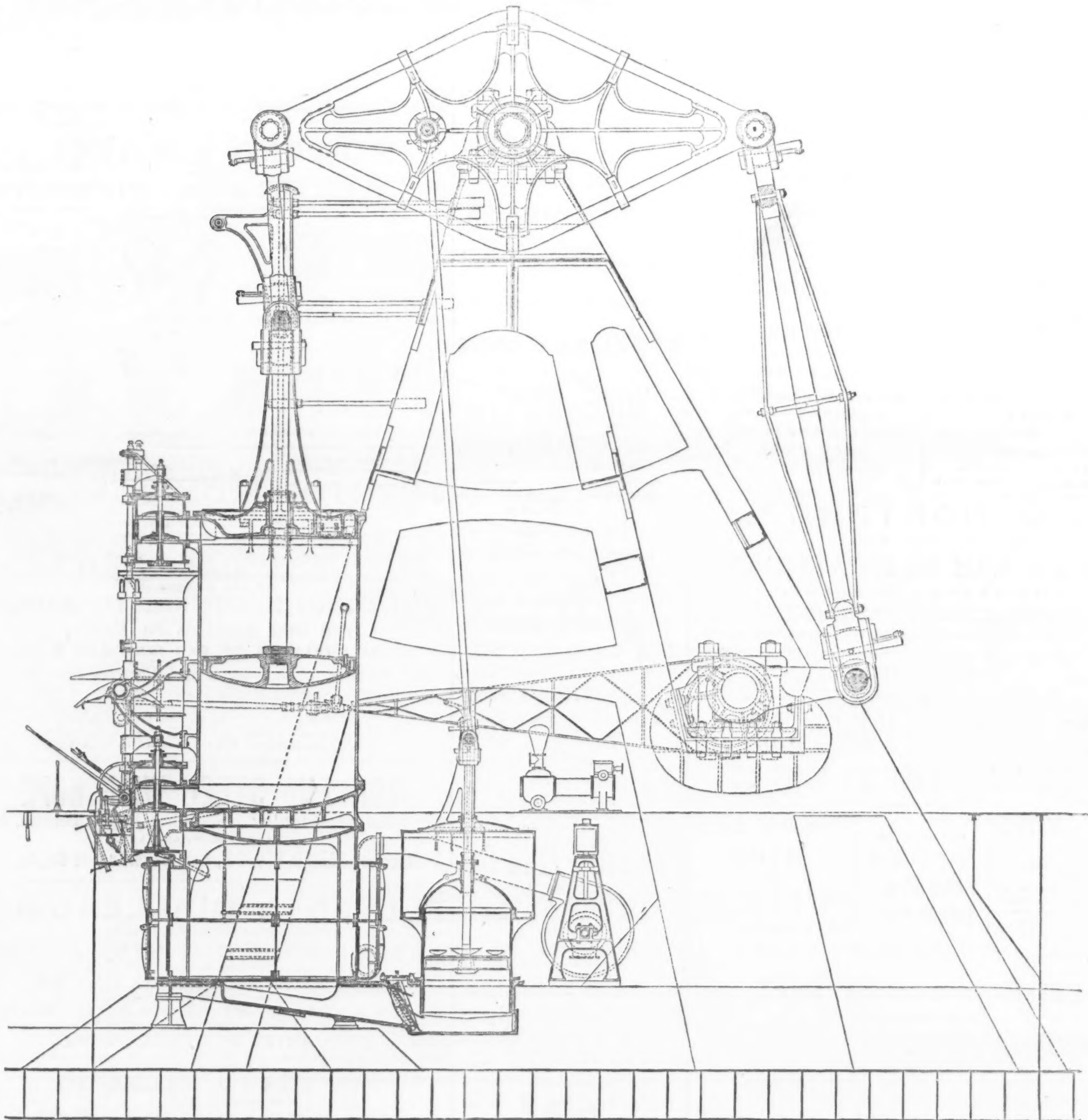


Fig. 1.—Side View and Section.

ENGINE OF THE NEW SOUND STEAMER PILGRIM, NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION BY JOHN ROACH & SONS, MORGAN IRON WORKS, NEW YORK.

found in other parts of the world, but have been peculiarly favorable to the rapid attainment of perfection. Steam navigation, in a practical and commercial way, began in our land-locked waters under the auspices of an engineer who was probably the first to give any attention to the best forms of vessels which were to be propelled at high rates of speed. Strictly speaking, we suppose there should be two classes made, the river and the Sound steamer. The latter, exposed occasionally to something of a sea, is much heavier in her hull, has a greater

of these vessels as a class, and to show what the requirements are and how they have been met. When Fulton, in 1807, built his first steamboat, he was fully aware that speed was an essential feature in steam navigation, and he made a series of experiments, which were both accurate and exhaustive, as to the best form for a vessel to be propelled without sails by a steam engine. The present model is a most peculiar one. It has a perfectly flat floor, comparatively slight draft of water, and extremely fine lines both fore and aft. In many respects these boats resemble a

water only being aimed at, the question is not a complicated one. The breadth of beam is considerable, although the length of the vessel is so great as to make the lines sharp. It is a remarkable fact, showing the far-sighted character of the early engineers, that even in the days of John Stevens both engines and hull had developed into substantially the form which they have at the present time. In the Phoenix, built by Stevens in 1807, the hollow or "wave-line" bow was introduced, as well as the guard-beam. In 1827 Robert L. Stevens introduced the "hog-frame." These

vens introduced for this purpose consist of immense timbered trusses on each side of the boat, so disposed as to withstand the internal strains which are set up by the engine and by the varying positions of the load. Another feature of these boats has often caused much comment among engineers, and that is the "guards." These are usually a continuation or extension of the main deck, and to the full width of the paddle-boxes, gradually tapering fore and aft and at the bow, not extending beyond the hull. These wide projections are supported from the hull

neath the guards. This is not found necessary in the boats running in still water. The width over all is not unfrequently nearly double the breadth of beam. These boats, with their engines almost entirely above the main deck, and in a great many cases with their boilers on the guards outside the hull virtually float "bottom up," the center of gravity being so high that they would, so far as the hull is concerned, float bottom up in a perfectly stable manner. Contrary to the opinion frequently expressed by foreign engineers, these boats are not

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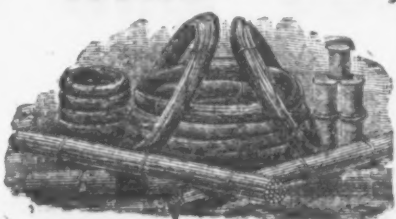
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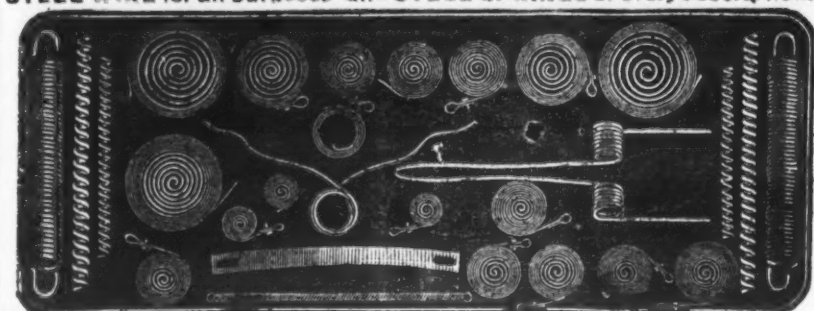
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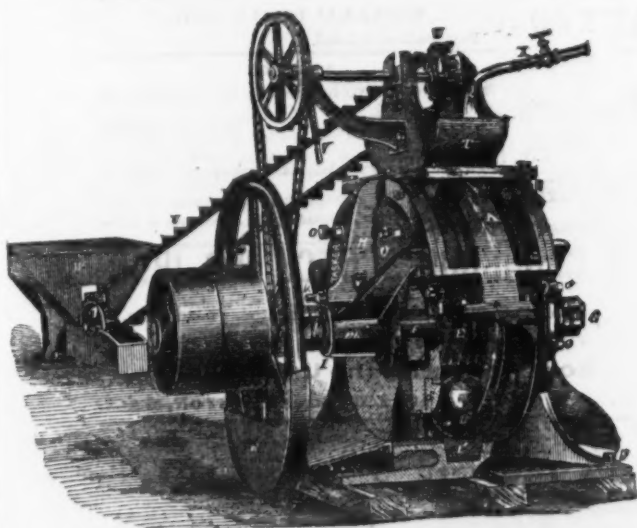
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crank, and, what is quite remarkable, the Sound boats are easy in seaway, though not intended for rough water. Shifting of freight, or, more commonly, "chain cable boxes" on the main deck, gives an almost unlimited command of stability so far as the live load, or passengers, is concerned. These chain cable boxes, working as they do out to the exterior edge of the guards, while the passages on the upper decks do not come quite so far, give perfect control over careening.

The beam engine itself is perhaps one of the most curious parts of these vessels, differing, as it does, so radically from anything which has ever been used elsewhere for marine propulsion, and being at first sight so strikingly unsuitable for the work. This form was foreshadowed in those which John Fitch built in 1788, two of his little screw steamers at that time having beam engines.

beam, to one end of which the long connecting-rod leading to the crank is coupled, and to the opposite end of which a couple of links are attached, for connection with the cross-head. The cylinder is in a vertical position, and is supplied with steam through double-beat poppet valves. The gallow's frame is usually made of considerable height, consequently the connecting-rod is long, as a long stroke is commonly employed, and angles of the connections are all very small, which greatly reduces the friction, especially on the guides. Until within a few years the A frame itself has been constructed of timber strengthened and stiffened by cross braces and bolts. Probably there is no class of engine ever designed in which the internal friction has been reduced so low, and certainly none has been proposed which could so well withstand the variations in the alignment of

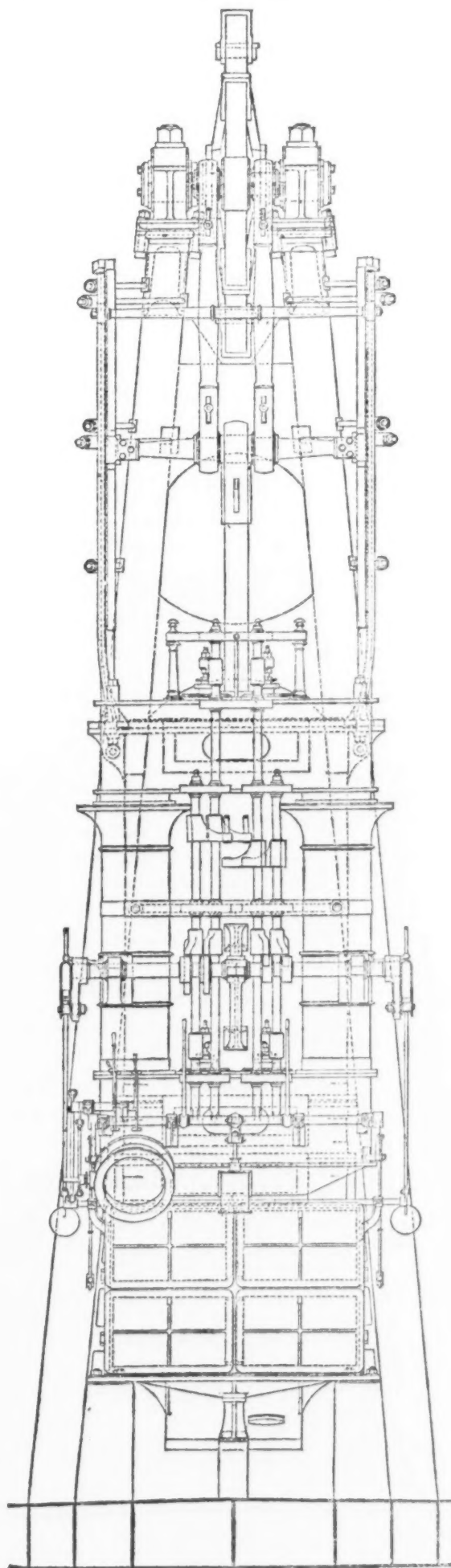


Fig. 2.—End View.

The first vertical beam engine of the modern type for a paddle steamer was built by Robert L. Stevens, for the steamer Hoboken about the year 1822. This vessel, we believe, had the open skeleton beam in its modern form. Two years later, in 1824, he built the Trenton, which was remarkable as being the first steamer in which the boilers were placed upon the guards entirely outside of the hull. This very remarkable feature, though found in many of our river and Sound steamers at the present day, and possessing many advantages for such service, is not altogether characteristic. The North American was built in 1827, was intended for the Hudson river service, and was a typical river steamer in all respects, we believe. The engine was of the type almost universally used, and the vessel demonstrated so conclusively the value of the very peculiar engine, that no improvements affecting the general design have been introduced from that day to this. The speed of this vessel, 16 to 17 miles per hour, was very remarkable for that day.

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the supporting timbers, or, in fact, would work with such ease in an elastic vessel. These engines are said never to wear out. The hull may grow old and the engine be broken up, but as to actually wearing out or getting beyond the point where moderate repairs will put it in good working order, is an unheard of case. Engines are to-day working in New York Harbor, apparently as economically and in as satisfactory a manner as possible, which have worn out one or two hulls, or perhaps more. The long stroke in the larger vessels, ranging from 10 to 14 feet, makes the cranks very long, reduces the pressure upon the bearings, and at the same time makes it possible to use a very considerable piston speed with a comparatively small number of revolutions. One of the boats on the Sound at times reaches a piston speed of 500 feet per minute, and the Bristol and Providence often approach 400 in regular work.

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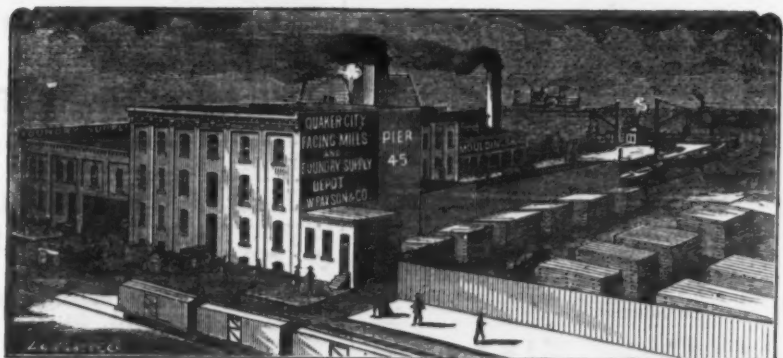
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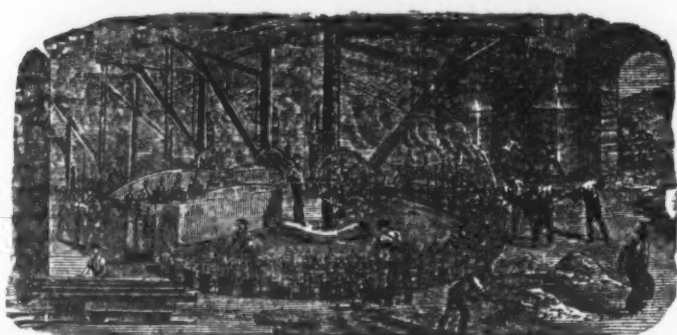
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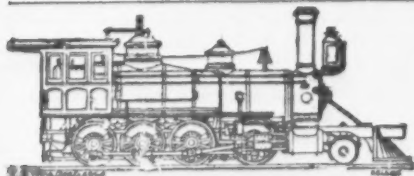
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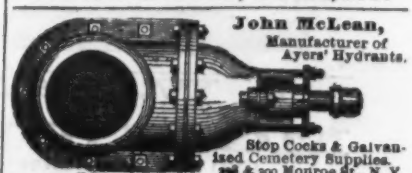
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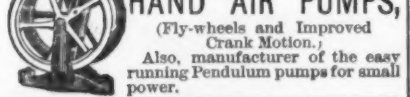
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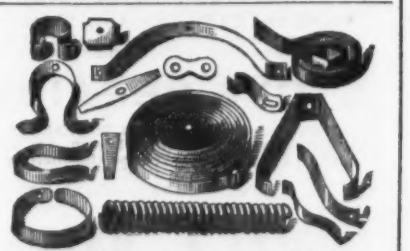
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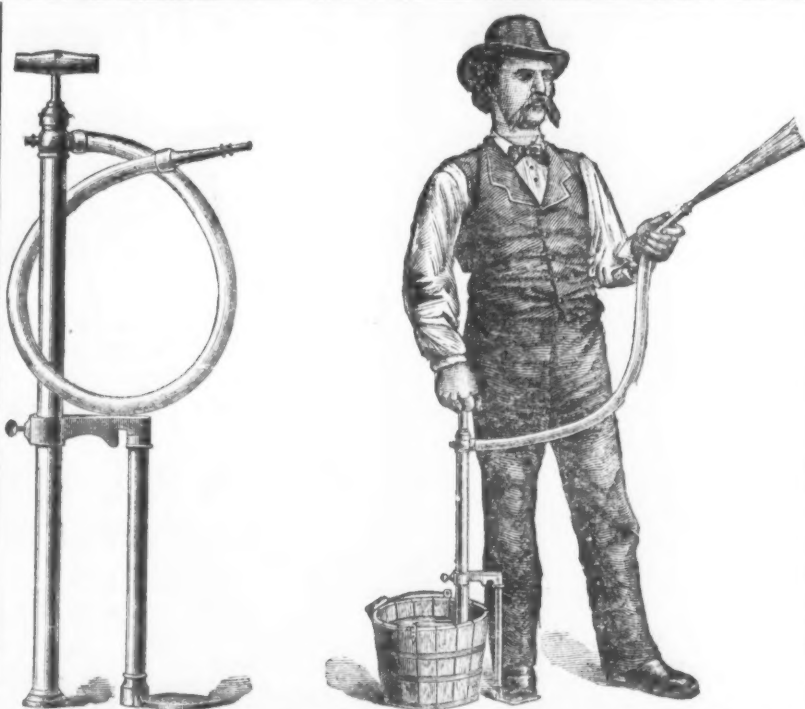
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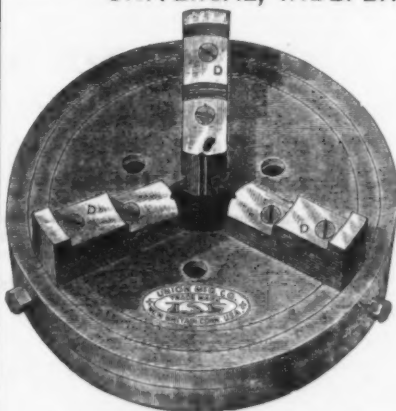
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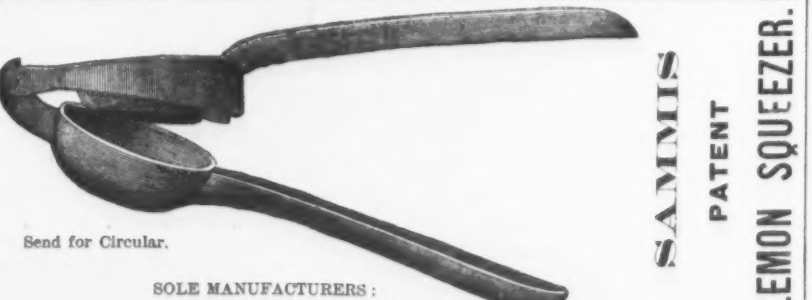
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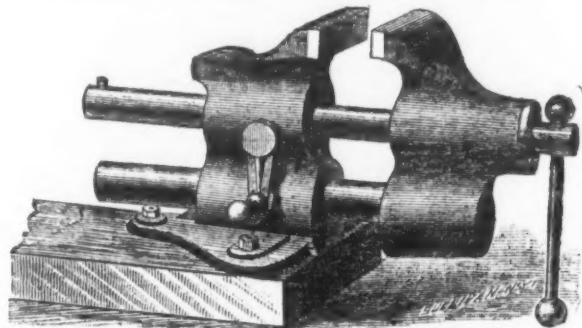
An improved form of quick adjusting parallel bench vise with screw clamp, patented by Mr. John Thomson, No. 9 Spruce street, and built for him by the Colts Patent Fire Arms Mfg. Co., is illustrated in Figs. 1, 2 and 3 of the accompanying engravings. The general appearance of

permits the use of a fine pitch and short hand-lever, and this insures a rapid and firm clamping of the work by the application of moderate pressure. Two disengaging handles being employed, the adjustment of the jaws may be effected with equal facility, from any position that the operator may occupy, with either hand. In material the jaws are of cast iron; the slide shaft, ratchet shaft pawl, pawl shaft, screw and clamping lever, and also the face of the jaws, which are welded to the iron, are of steel. This vise is manufactured as a machine tool, and all the parts are interchangeable. The bearings and working parts are finely finished.

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The *Ironmonger*, in a recent editorial upon this subject, presents some ideas which will be of interest to our readers:

Within the past few years we have heard a great deal of lamentation from Mr. Ruskin and other gentlemen, whose artistic sympathies and fine perceptions of the indefinitely beautiful are somewhat out of accord with the hard facts of this prosaic age, of the decadence of individuality in workmanship. These critics have bewailed the level-



Thomson's Quick Adjusting Parallel Vise.—Fig. 1.—General Appearance of the Tool.

one style of this vise is shown in Fig. 1, while Fig. 3 presents a longitudinal section through the vise and Fig. 2 an end view. The two jaws *a b* in Fig. 3 are almost exact duplicates of each other, and are connected and guided by two parallel round rods or shafts. The lower rod *d* is forced tightly into the front jaw, but is free to slide through an accurate bearing of ample length formed in the fixed or back jaw. The upper rod *f* is flattened on a portion of its lower side, and is cut with ratchet teeth, engaging in which is a pawl, *h*, housed within the back jaw and retained in the mesh by a spring, indicated in the engraving by *i*. To the pawl shaft two disengaging handles are secured, one on each side of the device, which are clearly shown in the end view, Fig. 2. The forward end of the upper rod is fitted in the front jaw and forms the nut for the clamping screw *e*. The screw is made $\frac{1}{4}$ of an inch

ing effect of modern manufacturing competition, and have lost no opportunity of assuring us that machinery has not merely vulgarized everything, but has made our mechanics themselves into human machines. With all kinds of things produced by mechanical means the ancient pride of personal production has been wholly eradicated, we are told, and the artisan, who literally forms a portion of the machinery, cares nothing for the outcome of his daily labor so long as he duly receives its pecuniary value. Admitting that these remarks were largely justified a few years ago, we venture to dispute their equal application at the present time. The dead level of machine-made goods has brought about a reaction—in metal work at all events—which has been aided and fostered by the tastes of the fashionable world for the time being. The revival of Queen Anne and Renaissance patterns has had much influence in this respect, but it is probable that other causes have been working in the same direction. Certainly there has been more hand-made metal work turned out lately than for a very long series of years before, and that, too, of a higher class than had been seen in England at any former time. We may not possess any modern rivals of the Quentin Matsys, Albrecht Dürers or Peter Vischers of mediæval periods, yet we have undoubtedly a number of skilled workers in metals who possess artistic taste, individuality and technical skill, and who are doing excellent work in a quiet and unostentatious manner. Any one who is conversant with what is going on in the world must be aware of the substantial accuracy of these statements. In *repoussé* work for panels and other purposes, the productions of recent years have contained much that is admirable, while those whose energies have been devoted to church decorations have made great headway. In the very ordinary items of house-furnishing, too, the change has been strongly emphasized. Fenders, grates, fire-dogs, kerbs, fire-irons (or rather brases), and gasfittings have all been revolutionized by the preference accorded to hand-made work. In a similar degree bedsteads have undergone a similar change. Stamped and pierced details have been replaced by the productions of the forger and chaser, and castings have given way for hammered and chiseled designs. In this manner more costly articles have been made to suit the tastes and pockets of wealthy purchasers, and the middle classes have been educated up to the difference as

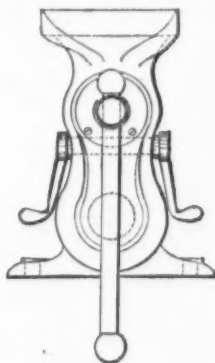


Fig. 2.—End View of the Vise, showing the Disengaging Handles.

pitch and square thread. The action of the screw is limited to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches by a stop piece, *g*. This prevents subjecting the threads of the screw and nut to a strain when having but a slight bearing, and also prevents the rod from turning with the screw. The arrows stamped on the ratchet rod are for indicating the relative location of the screw in the nut.

The operation of this device is very simple. In clamping and unclamping work of nearly uniform size, say within 1 inch, the device is used as an ordinary screw vise. To make a quick and extreme adjustment, one hand is

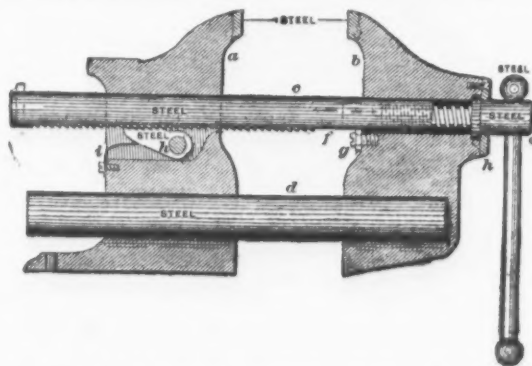


Fig. 3.—Longitudinal Section through the Vise.

placed on the clamping lever and the other hand on either of the disengaging handles. At practically the same instant both hands are drawn forward, which disengages the pawl from the ratchet and permits the withdrawal of the front jaw to the limit of the stop pin. When in this position, the work is inserted against the face of the back jaw, and, with the hand on the clamping lever as before, the front jaw is forced up to meet the work, the ratchet teeth sliding idly past the teeth of the pawl. At this point the action of the hand is changed into a rotative movement with the clamping lever, which instantly secures the work. Some of the advantages claimed for this vise are as follows: All the convenience of a screw vise with instant adjustment for varying sizes of work; the screw being used only on the nip,

well as the distinction existing between articles produced by the gross from the same mold or pattern and the separate and distinct products of the individual artisan. In France, Belgium and Germany there has always been more individuality in these respects than with ourselves, and those countries are in some particulars ahead of us in handwork. Whether their workmen possess higher taste or more skill in consequence, may be doubted. Here and there their better technical education may give them temporary advantages, but, on the whole, there is no evidence in proof of their superiority. The Belgians may excel in some kinds of candelabra and chandeliers, and the Germans in grills, door-panels and balconies; but their lead is not a long one, and with a continuance of the existing preference for

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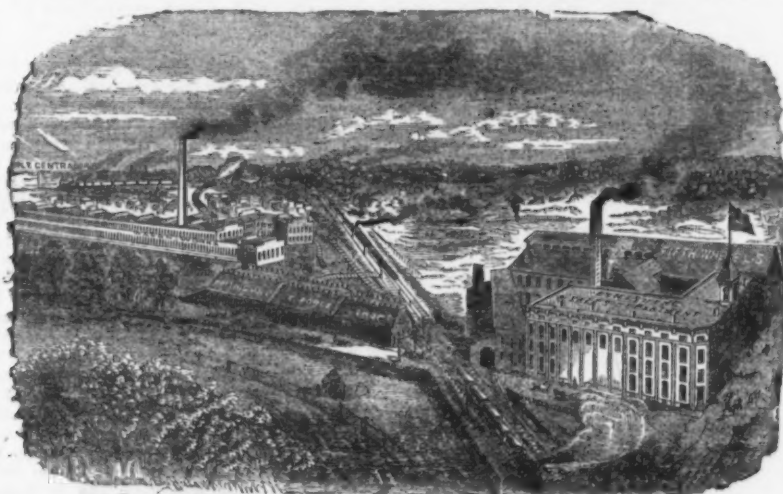
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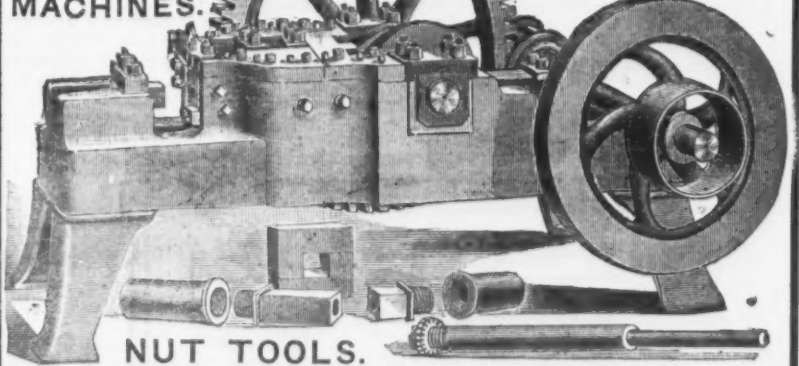
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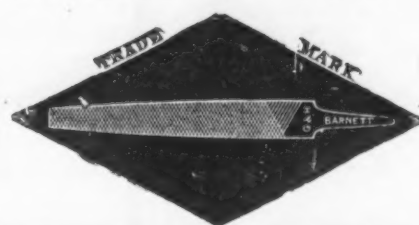
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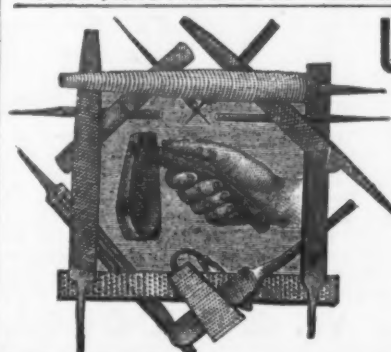
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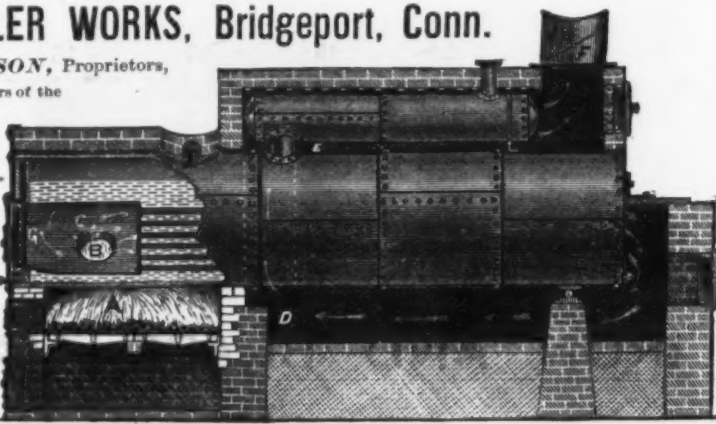
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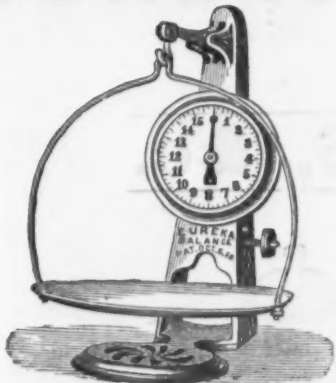
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MAGNETIZATION BY HEAT.

Mr. Kepner, of Salzburg, in Tyrol, recently
observed that some old bricks affected the
magnetic needle, and in order to investigate
the cause of this phenomenon he had two
bricks made from eight varieties of clay in the
neighborhood, one brick in each case being
baked. It was found that the unbaked
bricks did not affect the needle. Seven out
of the eight baked bricks, however, proved
polarly magnetic. In further experiments
by Messrs. Kell & Trientl, it was found that
particles of powder on the magnetic bricks
adhered to the steel magnet. Breunerie,
mica-slate, argillaceous iron garnet, chlorite
and hornblende were, before heating, un-
magnetic, but intense heating produced a
magnetic polarity, the axis of which seemed
to be perpendicular to the plane of strati-
fication.

PRESERVATION OF WOOD.

The increasing cost of wood in this country
has led to a great number of experiments in
preserving from decay all kinds of wooden
structures exposed to the weather. Among
the more recent plans suggested is one for
impregnating wood with asphalt, combined
with some antiseptic material. The finished
wood, ready to be put together, is first sub-
mitted to heat to drive out the moisture, and
is then placed in a hot bath composed
chiefly of asphalt and carbolic acid. On
cooling, the solvent of the asphalt evaporates,
leaving a skin or coating of the asphalt on
the surface of the wood that resists water
and keeps the antiseptic material securely
locked within the pores of the wood. The
exterior of the wood presents a smooth,
black surface that does not need to be
painted.

DUK'S PATENT DISINTEGRATOR.

Heretofore the immense quantities of
phosphate rock mined in the neighborhood
of Charleston, S. C., have been ground for
the purpose of manufacture into fertilizing
material by means of the ordinary burr
stones—a slow and expensive method. The
invention of Mr. H. A. Duk, Jr., of Char-
leston, S. C., is specially designed to meet
the requirements of that neighborhood, and is there-
fore worthy of notice. The Duk patent dis-
integrator is purely an "attrition mill"—
that is, one in which the material grinds it-
self, thereby relieving the machine from all
excessive wear—a great detriment to most of
the mills designed for this class of work, in
which the machine itself must take half the
wear, and the material to be ground is
broken to about the size of chestnuts, dried,
and then fed into the mill from the storage
bins, the amount of feed being regulated by
means of a variable feed movement, the
same as would be necessary for burr stones.
The broken rock enters a cast-iron shell,
which is revolved at about 150 turns per
minute, and is acted upon by centrifugal
force, which causes it to form a ring or belt
of rock, adhering to the inner surface of the
shell and revolving with it. The belt is
allowed to accumulate to the thickness of
1 1/2 inches, and is prevented from becoming
any thicker by a plow bar—a segmental bar
of chilled iron—which extends into the shell,
and to within about 1 1/2 inches of its inner
periphery. This bar is stationary and of the
hardest material, to prevent undue wear of
its lower extremity in contact with the re-
volving ring of rock. To compensate for the
unavoidable abrasion, it can be inserted fur-
ther in as may be found necessary, and in
time, when worn out, may be replaced at
very small cost in two or three minutes' time.
The broken material is fed into
the shell, and falling in front of the
plow bar, is prevented by it from turning
with the shell, and banks up in a
pile, which is kept in a state of rest.
Meanwhile the ring or belt of rock before al-
luded to is passing under this pile, and the
two surfaces are subjected to severe attrition,
which reduces them to a powder in an ex-
ceedingly short space of time. The dust
produced by this wearing action of the par-
ticles of rock among themselves is removed
from the mill by means of a partial vacuum
induced by a small rotary exhauster, which
sucks the air out of the mill case, by which
means the ground rock is floated out of the
shell and conducted by a pipe to a settling
chamber underneath the floor. Here the
velocity of the air current is so greatly re-
duced that the particles of dust are deposited,
and by accumulating, gain weight enough to
open a valve in the bottom of the chamber,
and run out into a screw conveyor or any
proper receptacle. Meanwhile the air, re-
lieved of its load of ground material, although
still holding in suspension a certain amount
of the finest particles of dust, passes through
the exhauster, and thence to a chamber con-
sisting of a frame covered with coarse cloth,
technically termed a "dust chamber." This
portion of the apparatus may be located in
any convenient place, and serves as a settling
chamber for the finer particles of dust which
were not deposited in the first chamber. To
compensate for the air taken out of the
shell, a pipe is connected from the dust
chamber to the "return air port" of
the mill, by means of which a "belt of
air," so to speak, is formed, which is contin-
ually entering the mill, where it is laden with
dust, and upon coming out deposits it in the
settling chambers, and again enters the mill
on a similar errand. The amount of rock
ground with the Duk atomizer in a given
power, is said to be much greater than the
output of burrstones or other devices used
for that purpose, and the degree of fineness
much more satisfactory; the ground ma-
terial is quite uniform in grade, due to the fact
that the exhauster maintains a constant
amount of vacuum sufficient to draw from
the mill only such particles of material as
have attained the requisite degree of fine-
ness. The usefulness of this machine is not
limited to its adaptation to phosphate rock
alone, but it has worked successfully on ores,
quartz, marble, soapstone, &c., and, in fact,
may be employed for any refractory material
which it is necessary to reduce to a powder.

THE HARDENING OF VULCANIZED INDIA RUBBER.

In the opinion of Mr. W. H. Hempel, the
hardening of vulcanized india rubber which
takes place with piping and other rubber
goods after having been in use for a short
time, is caused by the gradual evaporation
of the solvent liquids contained in the rubber,
and introduced during the process of vulcan-
ization. Mr. Hempel has made experiments
for a number of years in order to find a
method of preserving the india rubber, and
he now finds that keeping the articles in an
atmosphere saturated with the vapors of the
solvent answers the purpose. India rubber
stoppers, tubing, &c., which still possess
their elasticity are to be kept in vessels con-
taining a dish of petroleum. The use of
wooden boxes is objectionable, air-tight
vessels alone being sufficient to preserve the
india rubber for any length of time. Ex-
posure to light should be avoided as much as
possible. Old and hard india rubber may be
softened again by subjecting it to the action
of vapors of bisulphide of carbon. As soon
as the article has become soft it should be
removed from the bisulphide of carbon
atmosphere, and kept in the above way.
Hard stoppers can easily be made fit for use
again in this manner, but it is said that the
properties of tubing cannot well be restored.

MIXTURE OF GASES BY DIFFUSION.

The fact that gases do not mix very
rapidly by diffusion alone may be strikingly
illustrated by placing a strip of white paper,
moistened with acetate of lead solution,
inside a tall glass stoppered cylinder, so that
when the latter is inverted the paper ex-
tends from the bottom (which now forms the
upper end) not more than one-third of the
total length of the cylinder. A solution of
sulphuretted hydrogen in water is then
placed in the hollow stopper of the cylinder,
and the stopper is inserted loosely into its
place. After about 10 or 15 minutes the pro-
duction of sulphide of lead on the white paper
shows that the sulphuretted hydrogen has
risen two-thirds of the height of the cylinder.
Papers moistened with starch, iodide of
potassium and chlorine water may respec-
tively replace the lead acetate paper and the
sulphuretted hydrogen water.

METAL ALLOYS.

The Engineer says that in a recent work
on "Metal Alloys," published in Germany,
the author, Mr. Guethier, gives the following
suggestions on the subject of fusing metals:
1. The melting pot should be red hot—a
white heat is better—and those metals first
placed in it which require the most heat to
fuse them. 2. Put the metals in the melting
pot in strict order, following exactly the
different fusing points from the highest de-
gree of temperature required down to the
lowest, in regular sequence, and being
especially careful to refrain from adding the
next metal until those already in the pot are
completely melted. 3. When the metals
fused together in the crucible require very
different temperatures to melt them, a layer
of charcoal should be placed upon them, or if
there is much tin in the alloy, a layer of sand
should be used. 4. The molten mass should
be vigorously stirred with a stick, and, even
while pouring it into another vessel, the stir-
ring should not be relaxed. 5. Another hint
is to use a little old alloy in making a new
one, and the melting pots should be abso-
lutely clean and free from any traces of
former operations.

FEEDING APPARATUS FOR STEAM BOILERS.

In supplying feed water to steam boilers,
Mr. John Adams, of Watford, England, pro-
poses to employ two feed or supply cisterns,
one of which is open and placed above the
boiler, and the other closed and adapted to
resist considerable pressure. The open vessel
is connected with the closed one, and the
latter, in turn, with the boiler, by means of
pipes, and when communication between the
two last is shut off, the closed vessel may
be readily filled, as required, from the open
vessel. A pipe, issuing from the boiler to
be fed, is provided with a three-way valve,
or tap, and one of the passages connects the
boiler with the closed feed chamber, while
another runs from the latter to the open
vessel. By means of this arrangement steam
may be admitted from the boiler to the closed
vessel, and when communication is made
between the bottom of the latter and the
former, there will be a tendency to establish
equilibrium, resulting in the feeding of the
boiler. Steam may also be admitted from
the closed chamber to the open one for the
purpose of heating it before being used.

A GALVANOMETER FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT CUR- RENTS.

At a recent meeting of the Society of Tele-
graph Engineers and of Electricians, Eng-
land, a paper was read on a new galvanom-
eter for measuring the most powerful
electric-light currents. The action of the
instrument is based on the *nit* method of
testing—that is to say, reducing the deflection
on the scale to *nit* by means of adjust-
ments. The galvanometer consists of an
astatic needle placed within two independent
circuits, one a coil of long, fine wire, and the
other a coil of short and very thick wire,
which, in fact, is a stout hoop of brass in
some forms of the apparatus. Through the
short, thick coil, the electric-lighting current
to be measured is passed, and through the
long, fine coil is passed the current from a
single-standard Daniell cell. Resistance is
included in the latter circuit until the two
currents balance each other by differential
action on the needle, and the deflection of the
latter is reduced to *nit*. Then by means of a
constant or multiplier found for the instru-
ment in question by experiment, the strength
of the powerful current in amperes can be
obtained.

GRAMME CURRENTS IN A VACUUM.

Engineering says that Messrs. Jamini and
Maneuverier have obtained some very in-
teresting effects by passing the alternating
current from a Gramme dynamo machine
through a voltaic arc formed with carbon
pencils in a vacuum. A blue aureole en-
veloped the two surfaces of the carbon rods,
and ultimately filled the glass bulb with
light. The carbons reddened and then be-
came of a pale white color throughout their
entire length as the incandescence increased.
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surface of the glass and finally rendered it
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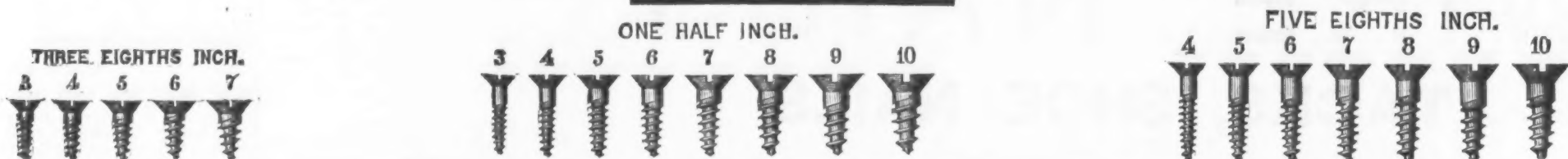
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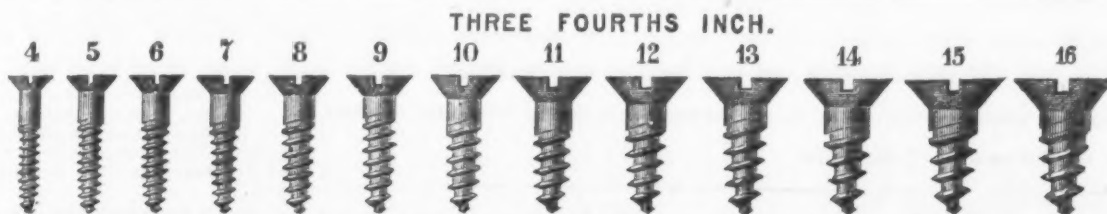
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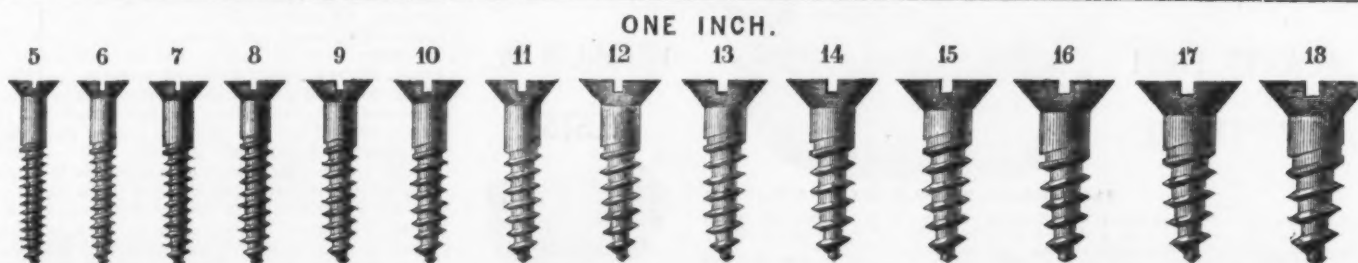
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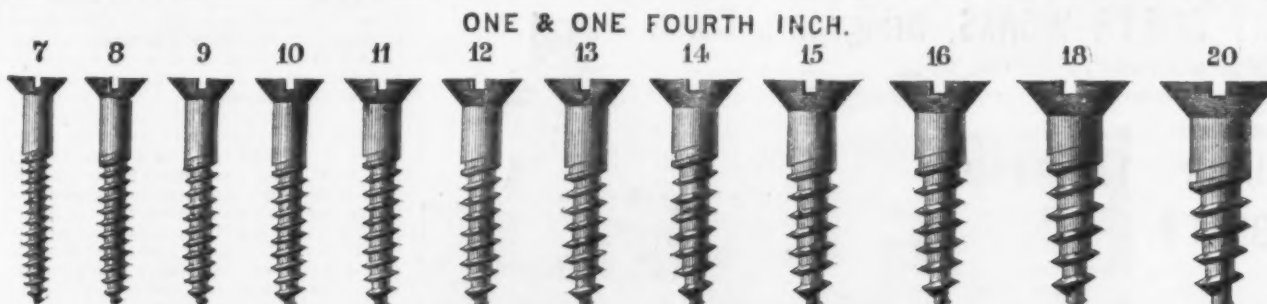
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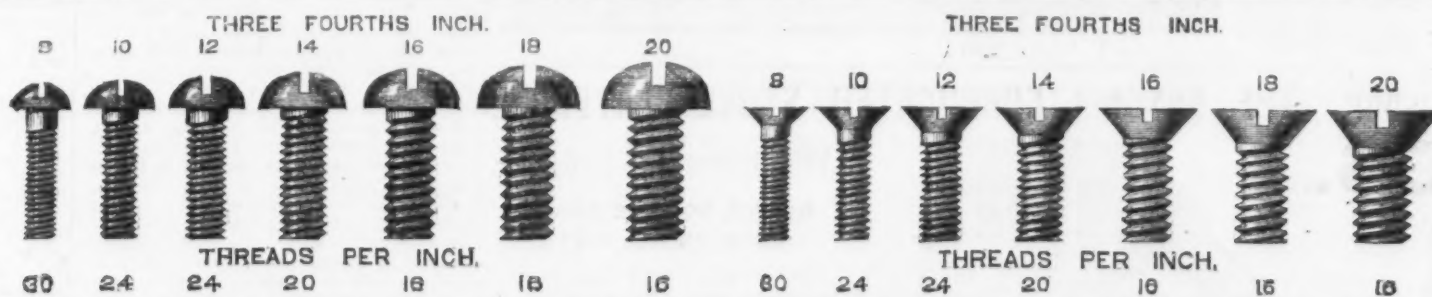
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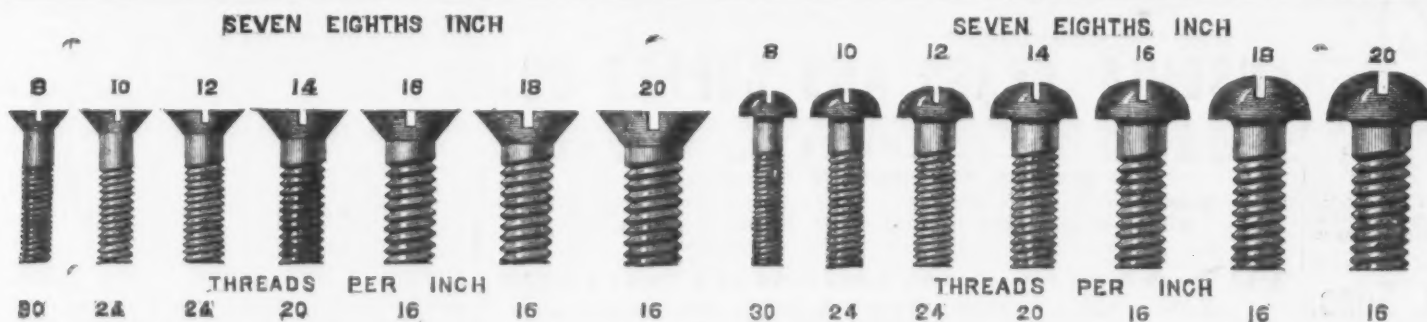
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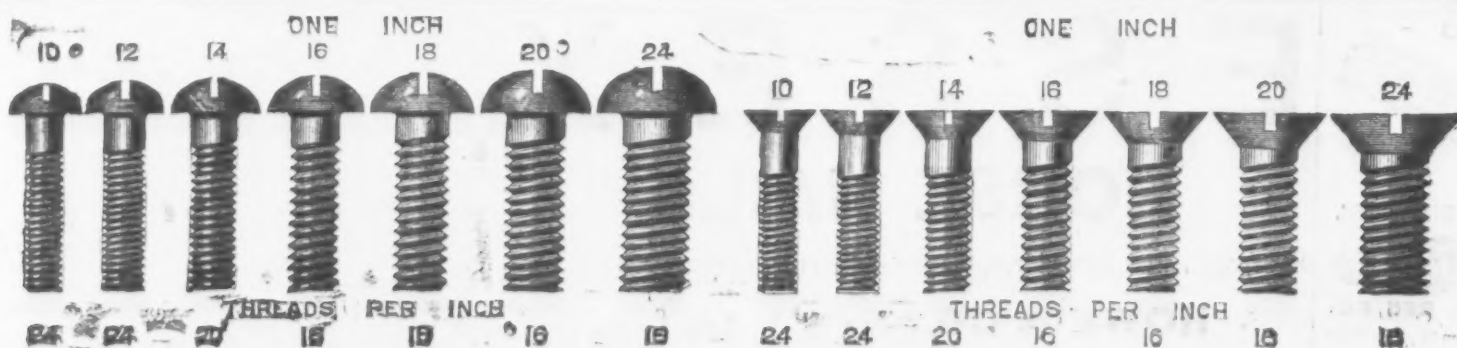


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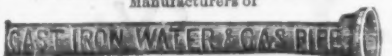


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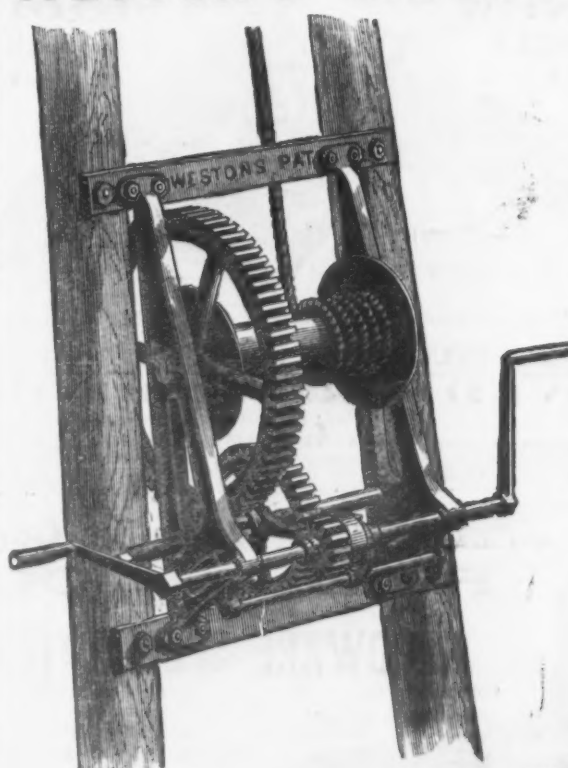
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bluish gas similar to vapor of iodine, which deepened to indigo tint. With bundles of carbon pencils instead of rods the volatilization was far less marked. With rods of copper instead of carbon, the same results were obtained with still greater splendor, the copper being finally deposited on the glass.

KABATH'S ACCUMULATORS.

Mr. Nicholas de Kabath, of Paris, has brought out an accumulator, which is designed to give a very large accumulating surface. It consists of a number of lead plates, connected alternately like the plates of a condenser. Each plate is composed of a set of strips of lead, 1-10th mm. thick. These strips are alternately flat and corrugated, and are placed so as to form a plate 8 or 9 cm. wide, built up of about 100 strips. They are kept together by a perforated lead plate, entirely surrounding them, but permitting a free circulation of the liquid. In forming a cell of the accumulator, Mr. De Kabath puts 12 of these plates into a water-tight wooden case having two terminals, and connects the alternate plates to the terminals. The end plates are plain sheets of lead, thus making 14 in all. The plates are fixed at top to the wooden cover, and rest at the bottom in a bed of black rosin and paraffine. The cells are charged with sulphuric acid, like M. Planté's secondary battery.

RAISING STAMP HEADS.

According to the invention of Mr. S. Jellyman, a Canadian, the raising of stamp-heads will be effected by employing an iron or steel band passing over a pulley, and operated upon by means of a small roller attached to the main shaft. The pulley is hung from the latter by side straps connected by two metal straps with a forked lengthening screw, thus insuring a direct pull from the main shaft upon the operating roller. This roller is mounted on an eccentric shaft which is operated upon by levers, and a catch is employed to hold up the stamp or drop hammer. This catch consists of a bar of metal suspended at one end, and provided with an oblong slot. The bar hangs in a slightly inclined position, and the band to which the stamp or drop-head is attached, passes through the slot above mentioned. Small steel pawls may be fixed in one or both ends of the slot to insure a firmer grip.

CARBONS FOR ELECTRIC LAMPS.

Messrs. James and Lee, of Ravenshoe, England, have invented a process and apparatus for the manufacture of carbons for electric lamps in such a manner as to obtain great density and uniformity in their constitution. The carbonaceous material employed is reduced to a fine powder and molded under considerable pressure applied laterally to the cylindrical or other form desired. The press employed is constructed as follows: A strong plate is provided with a number of longitudinal slots, each of the length and width desired for a carbon. In these slots are fitted the lower and upper punches, the faces of which are hollowed each to the profile of the half section of the carbon. Both these punches are attached to heads that are movable in vertical guides subject to hydraulic or other suitable powerful pressure. The upper punches being withdrawn above the plate and the lower punches being drawn somewhat down in the slots, but not out of them, the pulverized material is charged into the slots, and thereupon the lower punches are caused to ascend and the upper punches to descend, squeezing the material between them to the desired form. The upper punches then being withdrawn while the lower punches are caused to ascend, the molded carbons are thrust upward to the top surface of the mold plate, and thereupon a number of quills fitted in holes in the lower punches are pushed upward so as to thrust the molded carbons off the punches. In some cases the carbons are made with fins projecting along each side, and these may either be ground off or retained and serrated for feeding the carbon in the lamp.

thickness of the coal measures is 2689 feet. In Ohio, according to Prof. Newberry, there are 1455 feet. In West Virginia, 1029 feet; while in Indiana, Prof. Cox makes them 659, while Prof. Worthen, State Geologist of Illinois, makes their thickness for that State about 600 feet. The Missouri basin is but little thicker. Taking the estimate of Prof. Smith, it therefore appears that the coal measures of the Warrior basins have a greater thickness than those of any other field in the United States by over 500 feet, and according to Mr. Gould of 1500 feet. Mr. Killebrew's own observations, though not as extensive, fully justify him in giving credence to the statements made by Prof. Smith and Mr. Gould. The first coal examined by him was the Pratt seam, one of the highest in the series, and which is now extensively mined, fully 1500 tons being taken out daily, 1000 tons of which are converted into coke for use in the blast furnaces in and around Birmingham. The seam can be traced in a westerly and northwesterly direction as far as Democrat, a small town 20 miles distant, where it comes to the surface, and is found dipping to the southeast.

Proceeding northwesterly from the Pratt mine, for a distance of 23 miles from Birmingham, a very large development of coal is found. This seam is a triple one, being 4 feet, and 4½ feet, separated by shale partings of a few inches. This dips toward the southeast, showing the termination of the first basin. Continuing westwardly, coal 3 feet thick is found on Horse Creek in several places. At these points, previous to the war, boats were loaded and floated down the Warrior River to Mobile.

On the western side of Black Warrior a small stream called Frog-Ague comes in from the west and enters the river near Mt. Carmel. On the banks of this stream a magnificent seam of coal 6 feet in thickness crops out for 30 or 40 feet, until it is concealed by the debris which has fallen from the overhanging banks. The coal from this seam is very hard and pure, having a large amount of mineral charcoal in its composition, which is an infallible sign of coal high in carbon. Coal was mined and shipped from this place for many years. Below this seam, some 20 or 30 feet, another seam 3 feet in thickness occurs, and 40 feet below this, a third seam, 5 feet thick, occurs in the banks of Cane Creek, and below this again a fourth seam is reported, which is said to be 10 feet thick, though owing to the mudiness and depth of the water Mr. Killebrew was not able to examine it. Its existence is vouched for by highly credible witnesses. It appears, therefore, that in this locality four large seams of coal, measuring in the aggregate over 20 feet, occur, and the quality is said to be equal in every respect to the best coal from Alabama mines. It is very hard, comparatively free from sulphur, breaking with a smooth fracture, and capable of being transported at any distance. It resembles the Pratt coal in having straight parallel sides in its irregular lamination, in its semi-lustrous appearance, and in having irregular spots of shiny bituminous matter appearing on a lusterless surface. West of the Warrior River the country is generally slightly rolling, sometimes level, but never rugged except in the vicinity of Byler's Ridge, which forms the western boundary of the central basin. All the seams of coal found in the basin of the Warrior lie under the great expanse of rolling or level lands extending westward for 25 miles. East of Jasper several seams appear, varying in thickness from 5 to 8 feet, constituting a sound basis for profitable operations.

In relation to the chemical composition of the coals found in the region of country here described, we present the following analyses from the last report of Prof. E. A. Smith, the State Geologist of Alabama, remarking, however, that these analyses show the quality of the coal at the outcrops, where they have been exposed for an indefinite time to the disintegrating influences of the weather, the only exception being that from the Pratt seam:

The Great Warrior Coal Field of Alabama.

Col. J. B. Killebrew, who recently had occasion to pay an extended visit to the Great Warrior coal field of Alabama, gives an interesting account of his experiences relating to this vast mineral deposit. His opportunities for investigation were excellent, the weather being delightful throughout the whole trip, and the medium stage of water in the streams affording ample facilities for examining and measuring the outcrops of coal to be seen everywhere in the river basins. These streams are numerous, and penetrate every township within the coal area. The principal stream is the Black Warrior, which passes in a southerly or southwesterly direction through the coal field, and from which the latter takes its name. Flowing into this from its eastern side are numerous streams, the principal of which are Locust Fork, Village, Valley and Five Mile creeks; and on the west side the Sipsy, Blackwater, Cane creek, Lost creek, Yellow creek and North river. On all these streams and their tributaries numerous seams of coal appear, while in the wells dug throughout the coal region scarcely a single one but penetrates one or more seams of coal. There are three troughs or basins in the Warrior Coal field, each one resembling in form a long shallow tray, with seams dipping at the edges and ends, but nearly horizontal in the center. In the first two basins, which may be designated respectively the Birmingham Basin, and the Jasper basin, there are not less, according to Prof. Smith, State Geologist of Alabama, than 2600 feet of coal measures, including between 30 and 35 seams of coal, 5 of which have been extensively mined. Mr. W. A. Gould, an intelligent miner, who has been prospecting in this coal field for 27 years, and whose knowledge of it, perhaps, is more extensive and accurate than that of any other man, he having opened many of the coal mines which are now in successful operation, asserts that he has exposed 42 different seams of coal in the Warrior coal field, and he knows the coal measures there to be over 4000 feet in thickness. This is an extraordinary statement, and shows a wonderful development of the coal measures of the Alabama coal fields as compared with others of the United States. In Pennsylvania, according to Prof. Rogers, the

	Pratt Seam.	Williams Bank.	Horse Creek.	Frog-Ague.
Specific gravity.....	1.300	1.319	1.305	1.404
Sulphur.....	.948	.604	.711	.482
Moisture.....	1.598	1.225	1.548	1.799
Volatiles matter.....	31.48	26.17	25.36	29.22
Fixed carbon.....	61.60	66.02	58.21	57.32
Ash.....	5.416	6.285	11.57	12.67
	Jagger's.	Townley Bank.	Lost Creek.	Pratt Seam in well.
Specific gravity.....	1.233	1.310	1.310	1.331
Sulphur.....	.574	.710	.728	.515
Moisture.....	3.001	3.007	2.461	2.569
Volatiles matter.....	29.04	29.58	33.78	27.78
Fixed carbon.....	56.53	63.25	57.02	60.50
Ash.....	11.33	4.50	6.95	6.664

The coals are about the average of the Connellsville coal in composition. The Pratt seam is a hard, good coking coal, semi-lustrous, irregularly laminated, breaks into long, board-like masses across the plane of lamination. The Williams coal is free from shale or slate, especially the lower bench; is hard, does not crumble upon exposure, cakes very little when heated, and probably may be used raw in the furnace. The Horse Creek coal is also a very hard, semi-lustrous coal, more disposed to break in cubical blocks than in board-like forms. Some of the laminae are very thick, giving small masses the appearance of cannel coal. The Frog-Ague or Mount Carmel Coal very much resembles in physical character that found in the Pratt mines. The coal at Jagger's is very hard, but more bony than that seen at other places; for this reason, probably, it shows less fixed carbon than that of any of the banks, the analyses of which are given above. The coal from Townley bank is very hard, compact and brilliant; it will bear any amount of handling, breaks in irregular blocks, and has less ash than any coal which has been found in the coal region. Mr. Killebrew regards it as the most valuable seam which he examined, for quantity, quality, accessibility, and the ease with which it can be mined, cropping out so it may be easily drained, and showing itself for half a mile or more along the margin of a small stream, into which horizontal drifts may be driven and the coal taken out on a level with the surrounding country. The coal on Lost Creek is hard and bright, with sufficient bony coal in its composition to make a fine stock

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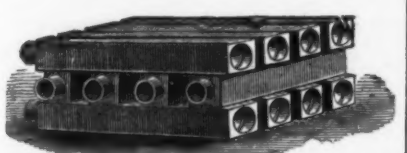
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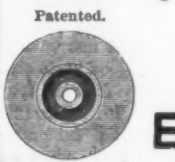
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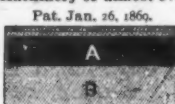
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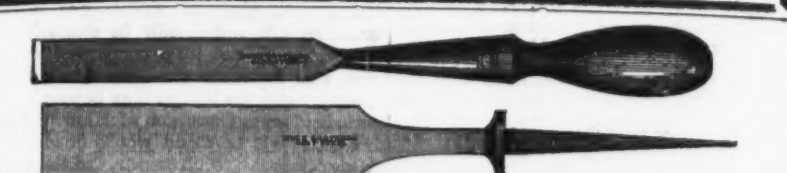
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As far as accessibility is concerned, it may be said that a railroad from Birmingham to Corinth, a distance of 160 miles, would pass, for the greater length, through a region presenting no engineering difficulties. A road from Florence, Alabama, to Tuscaloosa, could be constructed under equally favorable conditions, and either of these roads would unite the coal fields in question with the Iron Mountain of Missouri, with the extensive brown hematite deposits of middle Tennessee and Western Kentucky, and with the rich stores of magnetic iron ores of Arkansas, and would give an easy outlet to all the coal and coke-consuming regions of the lower Mississippi Valley, and render this Warrior coal field a formidable and successful competitor in the coal trade with the mines of Pennsylvania. Nor need there be dependence altogether on railroad lines. A small amount of money would construct 5 or 6 dams across the Black Warrior, which would serve to pool the water over the shoaly places that now offer the only impediment to the successful navigation of that stream. With such dams coal could be delivered in Mobile at a cost not greater than it takes to deliver coal at Louisville from Pittsburgh, thus supplying, at cheap rates, coal for all the shipping and manufacturing interests of the Gulf, West India Islands and South America.

Iron Ore From Durango, Mexico.

Mr. A. L. McCreath, of Harrisburg, Pa., has made a thorough investigation of the ore obtained from the remarkable iron mountain at Durango, Mexico, lately examined by Mr. John Birkinbine, as well as of the pig and bar iron made from it, and obtained the following results, which we take from the *Journal of the United States Association of Charcoal Iron Workers*:

The average of 27 specimens of ore collected from various sections of the 10,000,000 square feet covered by the deposit, and representing the different peculiarities of occurrence, shows a composition of—

Magnetic oxide of iron.....	2.071
Ferrous oxide.....	77.571
Manganese oxide.....	.113
Titanic acid.....	.71
Lime.....	5.050
Magnesia.....	.364
Sulphuric acid.....	.212
Phosphoric acid.....	3.241
Loss of ignition, water, &c.....	1.984
Silica.....	7.760
Alumina, &c., undetermined.....	1.124
Total.....	100.000
Metallic iron.....	55.800
Manganese.....	.079
Sulphur.....	.085
Phosphorus.....	1.338
Phosphorus in 100 parts iron.....	4.379

These samples embraced specimens from one portion of the mountain where an inferior ore is found, and the results of further analyses of 17 specimens representing an area of 7,000,000 square feet, gave:

Metallic iron.....	62.775
Phosphorus.....	1.338
Silicious matter, including little titanic acid.....	5.240
Phosphorus in 100 parts of iron.....	.458

To present the richness of the ore, the following comparison with that from other well-known specular mines is given:

	Per cent iron.
Average of seven large Lake Superior mines.....	62.364
Plot Knob, Missouri (hard ore).....	64.910
Rio Mine, Island of Elba.....	61.810
Cerro de Mercado, Mexico.....	63.775

The solid masses of ore which arise from the contour of the mountain in turrets, will exhibit a still larger percentage of metallic iron. There are specimens which will approximate 70 per cent. of iron. The pig iron made with charcoal, and the bar iron puddled with wood as fuel contain:

	Pig Iron.	Bar Iron.
Silicium.....	.771	.105
Phosphorus.....	.458	.193

In reference to the iron, Mr. McCreath remarks that the pig iron contains less phosphorus than the average of our mill or forge irons. Although the percentage of phosphorus in the bar iron is considerable, yet it is by no means excessive. Analyses of standard English and American wrought irons show the following:

	No. 1.	No. 2.
Phosphorus.....	.248	.197

No. 1.—Sir William G. Armstrong's "Ridale" iron, coil bar, for gun tube; best iron, four times worked. No. 2.—"Ulster iron," coil bar, for gun tube; extra best iron, four times worked. The small percentage of titanic acid shown by the analysis is not sufficient to materially effect the working of the ore in the blast furnace. In order to develop a portion of this remarkable deposit, the following recommendations were made: A plant of moderate size to be constructed promptly, the works being designed so as to decrease the cost of transportation to a minimum, and produce the special manufactures which would make the investment a paying one at once. At the same time the initial industry should be so planned that much of the material and machinery for their enlargement could be constructed at these works.

For the present the erection of a blast furnace, small rolling mill, machine shop, foundry and smithery is advised. The rolling mill should be constructed to make ordinary merchant bar, light mine rails, nail plate, &c., and to have connected with it a few nail machines to make the sizes ordinarily used; and also to be arranged so as to accommodate furnaces for producing crucible steel for mining tool purposes. The machine shop, foundry and smithery should be capable of doing ordinary repair work, to construct new work for mines &c., and to be erected with a special view for the manufacture, as far as practicable, of the fixtures and appliances for future enlargements of the plant. The cost of a work as above described would probably vary from \$250,000 to \$300,000.

For smelting furnaces, charcoal is the fuel immediately available, while for manufacturing purposes wood or gaseous fuel made from otherwise waste products, could be employed. The annexed table gives an interesting comparison of prices. The column marked "Durango prices" shows the cost in Durango of the various articles specified as

given by merchants in that city. The column of "U. S. prices" gives the present quotations for the same specialties in Philadelphia, and the column marked "Duties" gives an approximate equivalent in cents per pound of the tariff placed by the Government of Mexico upon the materials named:

Name of Article.	Durango prices per pound.	U. S. prices per pound.	Duties per pound.
Nails.....	25 to 31	3 1/2	5 1/2
Spikes.....	25	3 1/2	5 1/2
Horseshoe nails.....	37	13 to 25	5 1/2
Wagon springs.....	13	3 1/2	5 1/2
Bar iron.....	20 to 24	3 1/2 to 6 1/2	4 1/2
Sheet iron.....	25 to 30	4 to 8	4 1/2
Iron wire.....	10 to 13	3 1/2 to 4	1 1/2
Castings.....	18	4 to 5	1 1/2
Window gratings.....	12x18x30 in. high,	\$55 each, \$30 each, 8c. pr. lb.	

The rapid construction of the various railways will naturally reduce prices from those given above, and it is with this expectation that the establishment of iron works is looked upon so favorably by the Government, the people and those having investments in Mexico. From calculations made as to the cost of producing pig iron and the various manufactures, making large allowances for introducing skilled labor, estimating fuel at full prices, and allowing liberally for interest on investment, the cost of production at Durango should not exceed the United States quotations given in the above table. As the railways reach out and connect the various parts of the Republic, industries will follow, and, independent of the requirements of these great trade avenues, a large demand for manufactures of iron must result. If the 10,000,000 inhabitants of the country do not develop her resources, foreign energy and capital will establish industries, all requiring iron in some form.

The existence of tin ores in the state of Durango, convenient to the Iron Mountain, and some of which are at present being worked on a commercial scale by an American company, gives promise that the manufacture of tin plate may become an industry of magnitude, and the iron to produce these plates be obtained from the iron mountain. The possible extent of such manufacture will be appreciated from the statement that the United States import annually an amount of tin plate requiring the consumption of 150,000 tons of pig iron.

The native labor is good, and the people, who can be obtained in abundance, are robust and possess unusual powers of endurance. Habit has made them indolent, but good management will overcome this difficulty. The mechanical abilities of the native Mexicans give encouragement to the belief that they will readily grasp the details of iron manufacture. At present poor labor commands only 38 cents per day in Durango, and the low cost of provisions, and the few articles of necessity required, encourage these people to accept this meager compensation with satisfaction.

Coal and Iron Deposits in Italy.

The remarkable lack of coal deposits in Italy renders this kingdom dependent in a great measure, upon foreign supplies, and the importation of fuel from other countries must, therefore, necessarily be large. The deposits of anthracite possessed by the country are neither extensive nor productive, the yield being estimated at about 2000 tons. In 1866 somewhat over 520,000 tons were imported, and since then the gradually increasing consumption has caused the quantity to increase to almost 1,500,000 tons. Iron ore, on the other hand, is found in many districts, and if coal were found in a corresponding degree, Italy would probably not only be independent of other nations, but would be a serious rival in the coal trade. In the absence of fuel for smelting purposes, large quantities of ore are exported, and scarcely 20,000 tons of pig iron are turned out annually. The working of iron ores takes place in the provinces of Lombardy and of Piedmont, in Sardinia, and especially the island of Elba, which latter produces alone more than 32,000 tons, which are almost all exported. Italy possesses 65 iron mines in actual working, which, in the year 1877, produced 237,931 tons of ore, only a small proportion, however, being treated in the country itself. The inexhaustible beds of Montagne iron of the island of Elba, formerly worked by the Etruscans and Romans, and of world-wide fame, are not worked as they should be, especially in the face of the keen competition of the other mines of the basin of the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, such as, for instance, those of Mokta-el-Hadid, near Bona, in Algeria, and Somorostro and Bilbao, in Spain. The iron mines of the island of Elba have been lately made over to an Italian company, represented by the National Bank of Rome. The royalty to be paid to the Government has been fixed at 5.25 francs per ton of ore extracted. The annexed table gives figures for the period from 1871 to 1876 of the quantities of pig, wrought iron and steel produced in the country, imported and exported, expressed in tons:

Years.	Production.	Imports.	Exports.
1871.....	22,000	18,932	1,068
1872.....	26,000	21,874	3,722
1873.....	24,480	13,944	3,079
1874.....	21,054	39,160	368
1875.....	20,278	21,980	1,013
1876.....	20,000	22,515	744

ROLLED IRON.

The annual average production is about 49,000 tons:

Years.	Production.	Imports.	Exports.
1871.....	74,422	1,805	
1872.....	67,588	3,722	
1873.....	67,700	4,122	
1874.....	77,380	5,873	
1875.....	86,292	2,540	
1876.....	93,713	1,845	

Years.	Production.	Imports.	Exports.
1871.....	1,400	2,059	208
1872.....	1,550	3,199	118
1873.....	1,800	3,763	132
1874.....	2,000	3,482	228
1875.....	2,000	3,478	112
1876.....	2,800	4,853	109

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The Labor Situation West.

As we write, the labor situation in the West remains about as it was at the time of our last issue. As was announced in that issue, the finishers—by which is meant the workmen in the rolling and heating department, outside of muck rolling—held a meeting on Monday at Pittsburgh, but, as the Fourth of July has intervened, we have not received any reliable account of the action at this writing, and therefore cannot tell how much importance is to be attached to this meeting. We have no doubt that on the future action of the Amalgamated Association this meeting will exert considerable influence, but we hardly expect that at the present time it will have that effect of ending the strike which some have looked for. It is hardly to be supposed that these men who have gone into the strike will so openly go out of it, and any one who knows the power of even a small minority in a union when once action has been taken, knows that it will take quite a strong majority to be able to stand up against the sneers and opprobrium of the minority in closing a strike.

The most important action of the past week—that of the signing of the scale at Leechburg—was given by telegram in our last issue. This signature, which was at first heralded over the country as a wonderful victory for the Amalgamated Association, turns out to be a veritable boomerang. Kirkpatrick & Co. did sign the scale, but all of the advances demanded by the men were stricken out, except the advance of 50 cents for puddling, and as the original scale demanded included an advance of 50 cents for the use of hot cinder fix, and as this was stricken out, it really made the price of work at the Leechburg mill the same as was paid last year by other mills doing the same class of work. It seems that this action was taken without the officers of the association knowing fully what demands were withdrawn, and after running for a day or two, the mill was stopped to await the decision of Mr. Jarrett on the action of the men. Some of the officers claim that the action was a misunderstanding on the part of the men, but it is difficult to see how this can be, as the points to which Mr. Kirkpatrick objected were stricken out of the agreement in red ink. It is hardly possible that the men signed the scale without knowing what they were signing. They are not children, and will hardly plead the "baby act." It will be interesting to watch the action of the Amalgamated Association in this matter, and see how they will justify a refusal to live up to what they have always claimed was a contract. Mr. Martin, the secretary of the Amalgamated Association, in a letter to the Pittsburgh Dispatch, says:

We are now in possession of a copy of the scale as signed at Leechburg, and upon examining the same find there is much more stricken out than the "50 cents per ton extra for hot cinder fix," which I feel safe in saying will not satisfy the Amalgamated Association until investigated. That firm was given the privilege of striking out "50 cents per ton extra for hot cinder fix," and to allow the knobblers' ton to remain until Mr. Jarrett went there to settle it. But, as above stated, we find that the knobblers' ton is made to read absolutely "24¢ pounds;" besides, other things were stricken off which were not mentioned nor considered at the time the hot fix and knobblers' questions were spoken of. So that the Leechburg affair is not "a break," as a few days' time will show.

The Mt. Hickory Iron Co., Limited, of Erie, have issued a circular in which they refuse to grant the advance demanded by the Association, and inform the men that they are determined to make the effort to control and manage their property under such just and equitable rules and prices for labor that men who are not controlled by any association or society will find it to their interest to become employees of that company, and also state that individual contracts will be made with each employee, and that those who are unwilling to continue work must vacate the premises belonging to the company.

It seems that this company last year paid 25 cents less for puddling than Pittsburgh, being probably the only case west of Pittsburgh. The company state that their "experience at their mill proves that after having paid for the material that enters 'into a ton of muck bar, and allowing \$5.25 per ton for puddling, the same could not be 'manufactured into the standard sizes of 'bar iron and sold at the ruling price of 'bar iron for the past year so as to cover its 'cost of production.' The circular contains some interesting figures. A portion of it we give below. It is addressed 'To the Fuddlers, Heaters and Rollers of the Mt. Hickory Iron Co., Limited':

In May of the present year the association demands a further advance of 50 cents per ton over the price paid in 1881, and the facts show that the standard sizes of iron in 1881 could not be sold at an average of 2½ cents per pound during that year; and yet, at the very time you demanded this last advance of 50 cents per ton, it was impossible to find a market for the product of the mill at the base price of 2½ cents per pound, which price you had already conceded should be received by the mill owners when the price of puddling was \$3 per ton, instead of \$5, as now demanded. Now, it may be well to see what you were realizing as your proportion of the profits at

the time that you made the last demand for increased wages. We find by our last pay-roll that for the two weeks ending on the 27th of May, the following were the daily wages paid at this mill:

	Per day each.
Fuddlers averaged.....	\$4.04
Heaters averaged.....	3.08
Bar mill rollers averaged.....	5.63
Heaters averaged.....	4.23
Roughing catchers averaged.....	2.80
Finishing catchers averaged.....	2.25
Roughers averaged.....	2.80
Helpers averaged.....	2.00
That on the 10-inch mill the	
Rollers averaged.....	\$9.50
Heaters averaged.....	6.05
Roughers averaged.....	3.47
Heaters' helpers averaged.....	2.00
That on the 8-inch mill the	
Rollers averaged.....	\$4.87
Heaters averaged.....	5.19
Roughers averaged.....	2.59
And that on the muck mill the	
Rollers averaged.....	\$4.75
Dragouts averaged.....	2.00
Catchers averaged.....	2.00
Roughers averaged.....	2.00
Muck bar weighers averaged.....	2.70

The number of hours constituting a day's work at the mill for the puddlers never exceeds 10 hours, and is much oftener eight hours per day; and it is a fair estimate to base the average as not exceeding nine hours per day. According to the pay-roll, puddlers received \$4.04 per day of not exceeding nine hours, and if the demand now made by you were conceded, you would receive an advance of 37½ cents per day, making an average of \$4.41 per day.

We think that the foregoing statement of prices received by the employees of the mill shows that you were not very hardily oppressed by capital, and that you have received during the past two years an undue proportion of profits, based upon the agreement of 1880, which you at the time conceded to be equitable and fair. There is no question in dispute at this time between this company and you in regard to your demand of an advance of 50 cents per ton for puddling, as under no possible circumstances will your demand be conceded in the present condition of the iron market, and the only question that could possibly arise between us would be whether we could pay you \$5 or \$5.25 per ton for puddling. The association to which you belong and which controls your actions, independent of any views which you may have of your own, undertakes to regulate and control the question of labor and employment of all the men engaged in the iron mills of the country west of the Allegheny Mountains. They not only fix arbitrarily the prices to be paid by the mill owners to the puddlers, regardless of the fact of some mills having local advantages not possessed by others, or taking into consideration the cost of living and expenses, or the convenience of some localities over others. When this mill was started in May, 1879, its policy was to employ non-union men. This policy was adopted, not because we had any hostility to the Puddlers' Union, but from the fact that the arbitrary rules and regulations of the association of which you are now members virtually made it impracticable for us to successfully carry on our business at this place. We believed that every man had a right to make his own bargain and his own terms, and we could not see wherein the policy was beneficial, either to you or ourselves, that required us to go to Pittsburgh to negotiate with an association having no common interest with us for what we should or should not do in the management and control of our affairs. We attempted to carry out this policy, and at last a compromise was effected with your association, by which it was agreed that members of the association could work in the Mount Hickory Mills at 25 cents per ton for puddling, under the Pittsburgh scale. This concession did not place us on an equivalent with the mills more advantageously located in the cost of material necessary to produce a ton of iron, nor was the concession an equivalent of your savings in the cost of living, house rent, and other incidental expenses and advantages in working here over many other localities.

We have now fully determined that we will make the effort to control and manage our property under such just and equitable rules and prices for labor that men who are not controlled by any association or society will find it to their interest to become employees of this company. We have arrived at this decision regardless of what the price of puddling may be, and we feel that it is nothing more than justice to you to let you know this fact, so that in case you are unwilling to work upon this basis you may look elsewhere for employment. Individual contracts will be made with each employee of the mill. These contracts will be in the hands of the superintendent on Wednesday, July 5th, and the men who desire to continue work in the mill must notify the superintendent and those who are unwilling to do so must prepare to vacate the premises occupied by them belonging to the company.

The Finance Committee has reported to the Senate a bill to provide for a "better method for adjusting the duty on customs revenue cases." We have several times referred to this bill. It provides that suits for the recovery of duties alleged to have been erroneously or illegally exacted from importers shall be referred to the Court of Claims. It also provides that at the request of appellants cases shall be tried at New York, Philadelphia, Boston or Baltimore, before a court composed of a single judge of the Court of Claims and two assistants, one to be appointed by the Collector of the Port, and the other by the appellant. From the decision of this court there is appeal to the Court of Claims in banc. From the final judgment of the Court of Claims in banc there shall be the same right of appeal by either party as in other cases against the United States. We have no doubt that there should be some change in the method of determining customs cases, but that change should not be in the direction of the one provided for in this bill. No party or class of men has a greater interest in the decision of these disputes on customs claims than the manufacturers and workmen of this country. But any change that is made in the method of hearing and determining these cases should not be in the direction of shutting these out entirely, as this bill does, but in the direction of getting them a better standing in the courts that shall try these cases. As it is now, they do have an opportunity to be heard before the Treasury Department, and we are very decidedly opposed to any change that shall take away any rights that the manufacturers of this country now have to be heard in regard to the decision of customs claims.

The Foreign Iron Markets.

Since the latter part of the year 1879, when the influence of the revival of American prosperity began to be felt abroad, the foreign iron and steel industries have been generally prosperous, this favorable condition continuing, although in a modified degree, throughout the whole of the year 1881. Activity in railway construction, so distinct a feature in our country at that time, undoubtedly had a prominent part in promoting and encouraging this flourishing condition in many Continental countries—France, Germany and Austria particularly—and while positive information concerning the probability of continued activity in this direction is not available at the present time, various circumstances appear to point to the conclusion that the European iron trade will not present anything strikingly new or startling during the current year. Reviewing the British iron trade at the present time, fluctuation both in prices and demand appears to be the leading feature in the different iron-making districts, reports from one quarter announcing general depression and inactivity, while steady improvements and firmer prices are experienced in another. The condition of trade in Great Britain at the date of latest mail advices is shown by the letter of our English correspondent, elsewhere printed. An event worthy of notice and not without interest, is the production of good basic steel in the South Staffordshire district from comparatively poor material. It is, of course, not to be supposed that the customary excitement attending such enterprises has been lacking in this instance, and there have consequently been a number of wild and speculative statements in regard to it, such as the immediate abolition of puddling, ridiculously low cost of production, &c. It must be admitted that the steel which has been produced gave every satisfaction, but the cost of making it is a subject which has not yet been definitely settled, and which may, perhaps, prove to be an insurmountable obstacle. The various other branches of the British iron trade have not of late exhibited any material change, but the general tone might, perhaps, be somewhat more assuring and satisfactory, than it is at the present time.

The decline in the American demand for foreign iron and steel, though unfavorably affecting all foreign markets, appears to affect particularly the British iron market, compelling the ironmasters to lower their prices, and leading them to more sharply and severely compete with native manufacturers in the supply of the Continental demand. Germany will probably most severely feel the effects of this tendency, on account of the low duty on pig iron, which is only nominally protective, being much too low to prevent the introduction of large supplies of the British product. Other Continental countries will undoubtedly be similarly affected, though not in a corresponding degree, and native manufacturers will suffer greatly under the burden thus imposed. In periods of great depression such low protective duties will be found wholly inadequate to meet existing requirements, and the countries immediately affected will soon recognize the necessity of levying higher duties on foreign products. Little, if any, change is to be reported in the general aspect of the German trade, although there are unmistakable indications of future activity. A rapid development of the trade in coal and iron, which can be conveyed to Italy through the St. Gothard Tunnel, is shortly expected, and the cost of transportation will be much lower than formerly.

The general unsteadiness and downward tendency which has of late been so clearly defined in the Belgian iron trade, appears to have given way to a more healthy feeling, the various descriptions of iron now being steadier than they have been for some time. Pig iron alone is still weak, the various other branches having improved considerably. If the price of steel is not rising, there is nevertheless an abundance of work at the various mills, the activity being strikingly shown at the works of the John Cockerill Company, at Seraing. The imports of iron ores into Belgium in the first four months of this year amounted to 395,671 tons, as compared with 325,653 tons in the corresponding period of 1881. Iron rails were exported from Belgium in the first four months of the year to the extent of 6246 tons, as compared with 7399 tons in the corresponding period of 1881, while plates were exported in the first four months of this year to the extent of 11,936 tons, as compared with 12,005 tons in the corresponding period of 1881. The protective policy of France received a severe shock by a law passed last year, according to which the duties on imports were materially reduced. It is no hard task to form an idea of the probable effect of the new duties on the iron and steel industries of France, the measure carried out inviting competition from all neighboring countries. The new policy will undoubtedly meet with the disapproval of the large iron and steel manufacturers, and will probably receive the approval of the French Government itself only for a short time. At present, however, the iron market is active, pig iron being in special demand. As long as this activity prevails competition need not be feared, but should the demand fall off a disastrous result will probably follow. The position of the Austrian market has remained practically un-

changed, with the exception of a slight decrease both in price of and demand for pig iron. A steady feeling, however, is being encouraged by the very active business done in sheets and plates, as well as in architectural shapes. The steel market is firm, this being in a great measure due to the consumption of railway material, and the stimulus imparted to general business by the activity in railway building last year is also probably not without influence in this direction. The stagnation which so long continued in the Swedish iron markets appears to have given way to greater activity, brought about by a decided improvement in the Bessemer and Siemens-Martin steel industries of the country. Numerous orders are also being received from other countries for iron and steel ships, and future prospects are flattering and hopeful. There is little to be said of Russia in this connection, the successful development of the iron trade being apparently restricted by unfavorable circumstances. The abundant deposits of both coal and iron ore, however, will probably, at no very distant period, largely contribute to multiply the existing sources of wealth of that country.

The Surplus Revenue and Customs Duties.

The large surplus revenue of the United States, and the consequent rapid extinction of our interest-bearing debt, has attracted considerable attention, not only in this country, but abroad, to the probable effect of this extinction on our economic legislation. This revenue is mainly derived from two sources—first, from internal revenue; secondly, from tariff. It is evident that in the near future, if the receipts from these sources continue as large as they are, or even approximately as large, some reduction must be brought about in the receipts from one or both of these sources. It is probable the chief reduction will first be made in the internal revenue receipts. They are not only distasteful to a large class of our citizens on what might be termed business grounds, but also on moral grounds to those who believe that the Government should not derive any of its revenue from what they regard as a legalized license of a great wrong. The number is not confined, as some would believe, to fanatics, but it is the honest conviction of thousands and hundreds of thousands of the people. Add to this the feeling in the South against the collection of internal revenue so largely from whisky, and also the feeling that is growing up among the workmen, and is finding voice every day to the effect that the tax on tobacco is an enormous tax on the poor man's luxury, and it is evident that these taxes must be considerably reduced in the near future, and that their ultimate extinction is not far off.

But it was more especially of the effect of this surplus on a protective tariff that we desire to speak. This is a question that must come early before the Tariff Commission, and is already being discussed. It is a question, also, that our English friends, in their economic journals, are discussing. The London Statist, in a recent issue, has the following to say regarding the contingency of the extinction of our debt with our large surplus revenue remaining:

The most usual effect anticipated politically from the debt redemption is the speedy abolition or modification of the protectionist tariff in the United States. It is obvious that with the extinction of the American debt the alleged necessity for a high tariff, in order to create a considerable surplus revenue available for extinguishing debt, will disappear. According to a sound economic view, we believe that that necessity has disappeared even now; that the tariff and a large surplus revenue are in fact maintained in order to pay off debt at an extravagant rate; and that it would be better to arrange for a more gradual extinction of the debt and a diminution of the taxation of the country. Still, Americans attach great value to the rapid extinction of their debt, and they are not content with such a reduction as would be sufficient for all practical purposes. Even from the American point of view, however, the necessity for the tariff and the large surplus revenue must disappear with the actual extinction of the debt itself, which cannot now be very distant; in fact, the redeemable debt will probably be extinguished in the course of the next two, or at the outside, three years, and there will after that date be no debt available to be redeemed. From the necessity of the case the subsequent repayment of debt must go on more slowly. There is no doubt, then, that in a very few years the people of the United States will have before them, in a way they have not hitherto had before them, the question of maintaining a protectionist tariff. If such a tariff is maintained, in the judgment of all outsiders the only decent excuse for it will be the protectionist ones; that is, the Americans will be asked to maintain a high tariff, not because they want a large surplus revenue, but because they wish to give protection.

In this extract the Statist does not take into consideration the fact that a large portion of this surplus revenue is derived from internal revenue receipts, and that the present rate of tariff could remain at least until the entire surplus arising from internal revenue was wiped out by the repeal of these taxes. After this was done, if with our present tariff, or with the tariff that the Commission shall give us and Congress shall adopt, there is a surplus, it does not necessarily follow that the way to reduce that surplus is by reducing the tariff. Indeed, unless free trade were adopted, in many cases the reduction would serve to increase the revenue. This, we think, is a plain proposition. In order to collect duties or to get revenue from the tariff, goods must be brought into the country from abroad. It is argued by English economists that a reduction in the rate of duty would enable them to bring more

goods into this country, and it is easy to see that unless the reduction exceed a certain per cent. which is not fixed, but movable, the revenues would thereby be increased. The tariff argument would be that the way to decrease the receipts from customs revenues would be to increase the duties and keep goods out.

This question will have to be thoroughly discussed and settled by the Tariff Commission in any report that they may make. There is a number of articles from which some revenue is now derived that will be put on the free list, but we do not imagine that any article from which considerable revenue is now derived will be put on this list. Certainly sugar and iron and wool, from which so large a part of the customs' duties are derived, will not be, and the commission will have to decide, if they wish to reduce the revenue, how it shall be done. We imagine that they will hardly decide that a reduction of the duties on these things will reduce the revenue, but, rather, increase it.

The *Statist* virtually acknowledges this further on in the article from which we have quoted above. It says: "The United States now gets a large revenue by means of 'those duties, but it could get a still larger revenue by means of duties which would not offend against the principle of free trade." And after a little further discussion, winds up as follows: "It does not follow, then, that because the completion of 'the process of extinguishing the debt of the United States will raise in an urgent manner the question of the protectionist tariff, that that tariff is about to be abolished or modified."

We have repeatedly warned our English friends against basing their calculations for future trade on any material reduction in our rates of duties. The indications are that a strong effort will be made to reduce the duties on some articles, and these may succeed in some instances, but not much reduction need be expected in manufactured articles. The time is far distant when a tariff that can be adopted by this country will cease to be in its general scope a protective tariff.

Opening Corea.

As we have already intimated in these columns, the United States Government is about entering into relations with Corea, diplomatic and mercantile, which will mark the beginning of a new history and open a future which we contemplate with unusual interest. Best of all, the triumph is peaceful, and consequently more glorious than could have been achieved by war. As the pioneer treaty-making power in this process of opening up a strange and extraordinary people from their ancient seclusion, the position of America is a proud one. It was not needful to prosecute an "opium war." On the contrary, the treaty with Corea expressly stipulates that opium traffic is prohibited under heavy penalties. Neither was it necessary, as when Commodore Perry entered Japan, to make a display of naval force. The success is the result of friendly negotiation through and in concurrence with the authorities of Pekin, who apparently consent to the entire future political independence of Corea, heretofore recognized as an integral part of the middle kingdom.

In regard to trade and foreign relations, the United States are placed in the category of the most favored nations. There are understood to be at least three open ports at which the United States may maintain consular agents, as well as at the capital, and it is stipulated that the Korean authorities shall afford American citizens "every facility for carrying on their lawful occupations." American vessels in distress may find a refuge in any harbor and receive every possible assistance from the local authorities, both vessel and cargo being under official protection.

In respect to trade, the fifth article of the treaty is as follows:

Corean merchants and their ships, visiting America for purposes of trade, shall pay all duties, tonnage dues and other expenses whatsoever on the scale of the United States customs tariff, Corea being treated as the most favored nation, and no differential tariff being imposed against her. American merchants and their ships visiting Corea shall pay the duties imposed by Corea, which country shall retain absolutely the right of assessment. The import and export duties, custom houses, prevention of smuggling, &c., shall all be controlled in conformity with regulations framed by the Korean Government, the same being duly communicated to the American officials, who will see, meanwhile, that their countrymen comply with the terms of a brief tariff, concluded and agreed upon, as follows:

1. Import duties on necessities of life shall not exceed 11 per cent., and on luxuries, such as foreign liquors, tobacco, clocks, &c., 30 per cent., both ad valorem.
2. The export duty on dochturo (a kind of betel) shall not exceed 5 per cent. ad valorem.
3. All foreign goods which have paid all import duties and charges shall not be subject to further imposts, whether in transit or in port.
4. American ships visiting Korean open ports shall pay five silver sen per ton of tonnage.

Americans shall be permitted to deal in any of the natural products of Corea, in manufactures and other non-prohibited merchandise, but shall not be allowed to sell in the interior any kind of foreign goods, nor be permitted to travel in the interior for mercantile purposes. The export of ginseng is absolutely forbidden under Korean law, and special regulations will be enforced to prevent the surreptitious introduction of warlike weapons or ammunition. The Chinese or English language will be employed in all official communications. The ports opened are Jensen, Fusan and Renshaw. Although details are lacking to show the exact

stage reached in the negotiations as concerns the final approval and confirmation of the treaty with the Kingdom of Corea, we are left to infer that the recent visits of distinguished Americans to Pekin and Corea, notably Commodore Shufeldt and General Grant, have not been wholly informal, unofficial and fruitless. At the same time, the action of Congress in respect to Chinese immigration appears to have been peculiarly inopportune, and liable to prejudice American interests among the Asiatic powers. At last accounts Commodore Shufeldt was at Renshaw. Respecting French operations at Anam, the entire proceedings are said to have been repudiated by the home government.

Knit Goods and Hoop Iron.

Our position regarding the bill which has just passed the House looking to a correction of the duties on knit goods, is in no doubt. We believe it is one of those cases that, commission or no commission, demands immediate relief from Congress, and we are heartily in sympathy with the efforts of those who are trying to secure this relief by the present bill. But there is another bill that is equally meritorious, and should receive equally prompt attention from Congress. That is the bill to correct the duty on hoop iron. Indeed, we question if in some particulars the Hoop Iron bill is not a more meritorious bill, and one demanding prompt action, than even the Knit Goods bill. It was the first bill passed upon by the present Committee on Ways and Means, and passed on favorably. The hoop iron industry is not only threatened with extinction unless this action is taken, but for years it has been suffering. Thousands and thousands of tons of hoop irons, valued at millions of dollars and representing millions of dollars in material and wages, all of which should have been produced and paid out in this country, have been purchased in England, and English workmen and English miners and English manufacturers have reaped the benefit. This has resulted in the taking from our manufacturers and workmen and miners all these millions of dollars. It has compelled mills that had been fitted up especially to make hoop iron to drop this branch of trade and go into other branches of the business, to the injury and detriment of those mills that had been fitted for this other work especially, and of the workmen engaged in this business. It has taken iron from these mills that should have been theirs. It has taken work from workmen that they were fairly entitled to if the law had been properly carried out, and all of this as a result of what Secretary Sherman so aptly termed "a legislative inadvertency." But such an inadvertency is all that can be claimed for the Knit Goods bill, for it is a fact that has lately come out that the suit against the Government which has recently been decided and which has caused the Secretary of the Treasury to issue the decision regarding knit goods, was entered before the revisers of the statutes began their work.

The present condition of things is not, strictly speaking, the result of an omission on the part of the revisers, but is a legislative inadvertency in the original bills. We would have been pleased to have seen the McKinley bill passed as a whole, but failing this, we certainly hope that the present Congress will not adjourn without perfecting these two measures regarding knit goods and hoop iron.

An Appeal to the Charitable.

We are not in the habit of calling attention to appeals to the charitable and benevolent, but an appeal has lately come to our notice of such a character that, in the interest of humanity, we desire to lay it before our readers and give them an opportunity to contribute their mites toward the same. The appeal, which is most touching in its pathos and saddening in the story which it tells, is that of the miners of western Pennsylvania. It says in substance that the strikers in the coal mines have held out for twelve weeks for four cents a bushel for mining coal, but that they are now out of money. That the strikers, by going into camps, can continue this heroic struggle in which they have been engaged on the funds which the association furnishes, but that their wives and children who remain at home must suffer from actual want unless furnished aid from some other source. We therefore appeal to a benevolent and generous public to contribute something toward the support of these women and little ones, in order that they may live while the men who, rather than "basely break their word to their fellow miners, have left their homes 'without bread to go into summer camps by the river banks.' We have no doubt that our readers will thank us for thus calling their attention to this opportunity to show their benevolence. As the *Pittsburgh Leader* says:

There will, of course, be some to cavil and sneer. Men will be heard to say that they find it hard enough to support their own families, without supporting the families of other men who can earn from three to five dollars a day whenever they choose to go to work. Others again will pretend to see nothing very "heroic" about the determination of men to go into camp during the oppressive summer weather along the banks of the lazy Chautauque, and have a good time swimming and fishing, and living on the funds of an association, while their wives and children are supported, as best they may be, by outside contributions. These grumblers will remark that they wish they could get somebody to take care of their families while they go and camp out and have some fun with the boys. But aside from such fellows as these, who

wouldn't give anything anyhow and only make these spiteful remarks to cloak their stinginess, the general public will doubtless do its duty in response to Secretary Jones' beautiful appeal.

Seriously, is not this appeal the height of absurdity, and is it not downright impertinence thus to ask the sympathy of the benevolent? It is certainly a strange application of the "heroic" for men to leave their families to suffer and to the charge of others while they go fishing. There is a story current at Pittsburgh of a man who was a member of the Amalgamated Association and who went to work at Laufman's mill, to the effect that he stated he had taken two obligations in his life; the first was to his wife and the second to the Amalgamated Association, but he regarded the first as much more binding and much more solemn, and he purposed to keep that one rather than the latter, and went to work. Such appeals as this of Secretary Jones disgust sensible men with human nature, especially with coal miners' human nature.

The Position of the Finishers.

We are still (Wednesday morning), without definite information regarding the action of the finishers' meeting at Pittsburgh last Monday. The meeting was in the nature of a mass convention, rather than a delegate meeting. The secretary of the meeting gives the following resolutions as having been passed:

Resolved, That we, the finishing men, deny the charges made against us; that the meeting to-day has been called for the purpose of withdrawing from the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, as we believe that the advance asked is fair and just, and we intend to stand by it until it is granted.

Also that another resolution had passed as follows:

Resolved, By the finishers in convention assembled, that we endorse the action of our president, John Jarrett, and place all confidence in his honesty and ability, and would respectfully ask that he allow his name to be presented to the convention, to which we guarantee our undivided support.

The first may mean a good deal, or it may be mere "buncombe." This can only be determined by the future. Even if the majority of the convention favored an early conclusion of the strike, they would hardly have voted openly for it. While the second is a strong endorsement of President Jarrett, it would mean more if it came from a puddlers' convention. It has not been among the finishers that the opposition to Mr. Jarrett has been found. It is also stated that a plan looking to a more equitable representation of the finishers in the councils of the association was perfected, though the nature of this plan was not given out. Indeed, it is asserted that those present hardly knew what they wanted. There also seem to be conflicting accounts as to the unanimity of the action. One account is to the effect that the meeting was not as harmonious as it might have been and that there is just as much dissatisfaction among the finishers as ever, and one statement is to the effect that the convention increased the dissatisfaction. On the other hand, it is asserted that the convention was entirely harmonious and that all dissatisfaction is ended. In the absence of definite information our readers may take their own choice. One thing is evident—the meeting was not called for the sport of the thing. It was an unusual meeting, and it meant something, but just what has not yet appeared.

Some Abuses in the Management of Industrial Exhibitions.

As the season of annual fairs and industrial exhibitions is drawing near, we have a word to say to the gentlemen who will manage these enterprises.

Primarily, we would advise them to keep their announcements within the bounds of truth. A large proportion of exhibitors are attracted by misrepresentations and promises which have no chance of being fulfilled. There is, or ought to be, a sufficient business basis for fairs and exhibitions to account for the fact that they are held. Where no such basis exists, no extravagance of announcement or proclamation will make them great or important. If the managing committees of second or third-rate exhibitions will devote their energies to making them legitimately attractive and instructive, they will have no need to indulge in false promises or to issue prospectuses which they know cannot be made good, and which bring personal dishonor to all who assume responsibility for them. The upright business man should be as unwilling to append his name to a printed as to a written lie, and be at least as careful of his personal honor as of his business reputation.

We would also condemn the practice of withholding, for any cause, rewards and premiums publicly offered and competed for in good faith. We have known of many instances in which exhibitors who have gone to much trouble and expense to compete for promised honors, have been defrauded of their just rights by the combined influence of unsuccessful competitors who have secured the withdrawal of offers after the judges had officially decided the competition. This has happened at least twice at the Cincinnati Exhibition, and we should not be surprised to learn that the company had been made defendants in one or more suits to recover premiums offered and fairly won, but for some reason not awarded. The same thing has happened in a great many other exhibitions. Competitors for offered rewards who were unsuccessful in competition, have still been strong enough to prevent the

awards being made, and to accomplish this the bitterest competitors have become allies, and pooled their influence to withhold from "outsiders" honors justly due them. There can be no justice in the withdrawal of a reward which has been competed for, unless by the unanimous consent of competitors. If one refuses assent, that one is wronged beyond explanation or apology. He is also defrauded of the money and time which it has cost him to become an exhibitor.

Our third suggestion is: select judges who will not feel the weight of local influence and who are beyond the temptation to unduly favor friends. We know of very few exhibitions in which honors have not been prostituted to a greater or less extent by their bestowal upon exhibitors whose only claim to them was based on local influence or personal weight in the management. The only honorable course for exhibitors who are also stockholders or directors or managers, is to declare their exhibits outside the competition for prizes. Exhibitors who come from distant points are at least entitled to a fair chance. When this is not accorded them they soon learn to distrust the most tempting prospectuses and to look upon industrial exhibitions as expedients to benefit a ring at the expense of all who can be inveigled into becoming exhibitors. Our whole fair system is in danger of falling into discredit for this reason, and the managers of honest exhibitions who are seeking to establish them permanently for the benefit of trade and the honor and progress of their respective cities, cannot do better than to guard against the abuses we have pointed out, which can be prevented only by the unceasing vigilance of honorable and disinterested managers.

Mining at Bilbao.

As we presume the question of duties on ore will be brought prominently before the Tariff Commission, probably by the Southern owners of iron ore lands, we would suggest that the paper on the iron ore district of Bilbao, Spain, read before the Iron and Steel Institute at its May meeting of 1882, would be very valuable as showing the cost of raising ore abroad.

The statement about labor is especially interesting, and we copy it:

The number of men employed in raising and loading is about 7000. Of these the majority come from Castile, Aragon and the outside provinces. The wages earned by good drillers average 14 reales (2/11) per day during the greater part of the year; increasing to 14 and 1/2 during the harvest season, when quarry labor is scarce. Ordinary laborers receive 3/1 to 2/3 a day, and women and boys 1/3 to 1/2. The working hours vary greatly according to the season of the year. In the summer months they extend from dawn till dusk, with intervals of two hours at midday, and half an hour each in the morning and afternoon. These hours should, in the interest of masters and men, be shortened; but there is a strong prejudice in their favor. The sanitary condition of the mining district is unsatisfactory. The men are ill-fed, ill-clothed and overworked in filthy hovels; and they are, by the nature of things, prone to disease. Small pox and typhoid, therefore, are never wholly absent from the mines. To combat this evil, an hospital and sick fund have been established by a general subscription of owners of mines and railways, to which the men also contribute to the extent of a per cent. of their wages. The hospital has now been for one year in successful operation, and a notable improvement has been made in the cure of disease. It would be better, however, if the authorities were to look to its prevention, by the enforcement of efficient sanitary measures.

These wages are not one-third those earned in the ore districts of the United States. The statement of the condition of the workmen, their hours of labor, &c., shows at what cost the English ironmasters procure their cheap ore. And if it is at such a cost as this that the iron works of England are able to produce cheap pig iron and, consequently, to produce cheap steel rails, the world had better pay higher prices for its iron and rails rather than have them produced under such conditions.

The Treasury Department on June 9 issued a circular addressed to supervising and local inspectors of steam vessels, boiler makers and others, suspending the operation of the formulas for the construction of boiler flues less than 16 inches in diameter, which were promulgated by the department circular, No. 30, issued March 14th of this year. The object of this suspension is to permit the objections of boiler makers to the formulas as originally laid down, to be presented to the Board of Supervising Inspectors for consideration at its next meeting. From representations made by the leading boiler makers in the West, it appears that the formulas in question are, in many respects, impracticable. These views, we understand, are endorsed by the Supervising Inspector-General, which leads to this action upon the part of the Government.

The subject of the size of freight cars is a very important one and has been attracting much attention for the last few years. Twenty-ton cars are no longer a novelty on railroads, and 30-ton cars are seriously considered by most of the leading roads. Some of the advantages of these larger cars over the small ones may be seen from the fact that while 1000 tons of freight in 10-ton cars will take up 3100 feet of length in a train, the same weight in 30-ton cars would take up only 1440 feet. The weight of the cars themselves would be reduced from 1000 tons to 412 tons. In reply to the circulars on this subject which the Master Car Builders' Committee sent out, a great variety of replies were received. In considering these the committee came to the conclusion that freight can be carried in 30-ton cars with as much

safety and greater economy than with the ordinary 10 or 20-ton car. If any road wishes to test these large car recommendations them to increase the weight of the wheels to 575 pounds, and to either use the Master Car Builders' standard axle or else one of larger size. With steel axles or journals somewhat increased in size over those of the Master Car Builders' standards, we see no reason why 30-ton cars cannot be run successfully on eight wheels. Until, however, the fitting of the axles and boxes is better than that now employed, the lubrication improved and the car journal boxes made dust-tight, we do not see how it will be possible to use iron axles of ordinary size under 30-ton cars without an enormous increase in the number of hot boxes and accidents occurring from that cause.

The bituminous coal miners in almost all sections of the country, have caught the strike fever, and one region after another is coming out for an advance in wages. At Pittsburgh, as is well known, the railroad coal miners have been out on a strike for thirteen weeks. In the Cumberland region the strike has lasted for some months. The operators are introducing foreign labor and refuse to compromise with the men. The officers of the Knights of Labor, who are engineering the strike, have issued a circular letter offering to arbitrate. The Clearfield region went out on a strike last week. Both Cumberland and Clearfield supply the same market in the East. In Maryland 65 cents was the rate paid before the strike, while the Clearfield miners had 50 cents, and the Clearfield miners have now struck for advanced rates. On last Saturday, the miners of the Meyersdale and Elk Garden regions, near Cumberland, struck for an advance from 50 to 65 cents. Altogether this seems to be a memorable year for strikes.

According to Pittsburgh reports, there has been a slight improvement in the condition of the water supply within the past few days, and the danger of a famine, so threatening but a short time since, has consequently assumed a less serious aspect. The situation is, however, still critical, since any accident which might possibly occur in connection with the Negley River engines would cut off the present limited supply. An increased depth of water is reported in several of the reservoirs, and Engine No. 2 is still at work with one plunger, while Engine No. 1 is operating two plungers. The latter engine is, however, running very slowly, five revolutions per minute being as high a rate of speed as the engineer in charge considers safe. The lower part of the city is said to be moderately well supplied with water, though the upper stories of some of the larger buildings are still without any. It is, however, anticipated that this difficulty will be overcome as soon as a greater depth of water is attained in the reservoirs.

"In regard to those mills which have so far signed the scale, we wish to say that 'they are all paying the \$6 for puddling, and will continue to do so until Pittsburgh settles, and all rumors to the contrary are absolutely false.' The above is from the Amalgamated Association column in the *Labor Tribune*. If it means that all mills that have signed the scale have signed for \$6 puddling, it is correct, and we have never seen any statement that indicated anything different. But if it means that all who have signed the scale are running their puddling furnaces and are paying \$6, it is not correct, for several of the mills that have signed the scale are not running their puddling furnaces at all.

We call attention to the notice elsewhere printed among the publisher's announcements, stating that the index for the volume of *The Iron Age* ended with June is now ready and will be sent on application. As those who do not preserve files for binding have no use for the index, it is not deemed best to send it out with our entire edition.


WASHINGTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)


WASHINGTON, D. C., July 5, 1882.
LABOR STRIKES.

The action of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor on the proposition of Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, to appoint a commission to take the subject of labor strikes in the United States into consideration, has been anticipated in this correspondence. The following is the text of the substitute reported from the committee: "That the Committee on Education and Labor is hereby authorized and directed to take into consideration the subject of the relations between labor and capital, the wages and hours of labor, the condition of the laboring classes in the United States, and their relative condition and wages as compared with similar classes abroad; also, the subject of labor strikes, and to inquire into the causes thereof and the agencies producing the same, and to report what legislation should be adopted to modify or remove such causes and to provide against their continuance or recurrence, as well as any other legislation calculated to promote harmonious relations between capitalists and laborers and the interests of both, by the improvement of the condition of the industrial classes of the United States."

"2. Said committee shall have leave to sit in vacation, and by sub-committees to visit such places in the United States as they may deem proper to obtain necessary information under these resolutions; and said committee or sub-committees shall have power to send for persons and papers, to administer oaths,



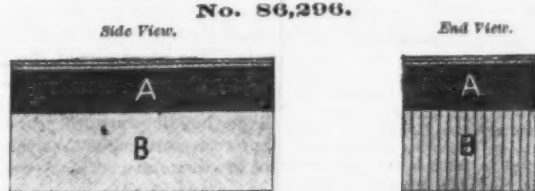
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In Equity.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

To the Defendants Ebenezer Smith and Matthew Gates and each of them, their clerks, attorneys, agents, servants, and workmen, GREETING:
WHEREAS, It has been represented to us in our Circuit Court of the United States for the Second Circuit and Southern District of New York that Letters Patent of the United States were, on the 26th day of January, 1869, issued in due form of law, to the complainant as assignee of Dennis C. Gately for "Improved Vulcanized Rubber Packing;" said Letters Patent being known and distinguished as No. 86,296, and that you, the said defendants, have infringed the rights secured by the aforesaid Letters Patent by manufacturing, making, using and selling to others Vulcanized Rubber Packing substantially as described in the Letters Patent aforesaid, contrary to the form of statute in such case made and provided.
NOW, THEREFORE, we do strictly command and Enjoin you the said Ebenezer Smith and Matthew Gates and each of you, your clerks, attorneys, agents, servants, and workmen, under the pains and penalties which may fall upon you and each of you, in case of disobedience, that you forthwith desist from making, manufacturing, using or selling, in violation of said Letters Patent, any Vulcanized Rubber Packing involving or embracing or manufactured in pursuance of or containing the invention described and claimed in Letters Patent of the United States No. 86,296, viz.: the combination with the packing such as therein specified of an elastic backing or cushion of vulcanized India-rubber substantially as described and claimed in the said letters patent, until further order in this case.
Witness the Honorable Morrison R. Waite, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, at the City of New York, on the 2d day of June, A.D. 1882.

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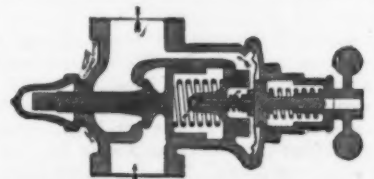
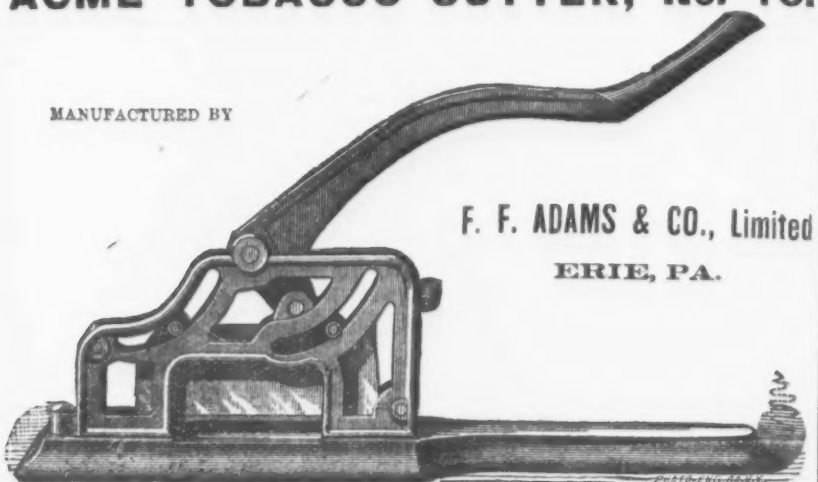
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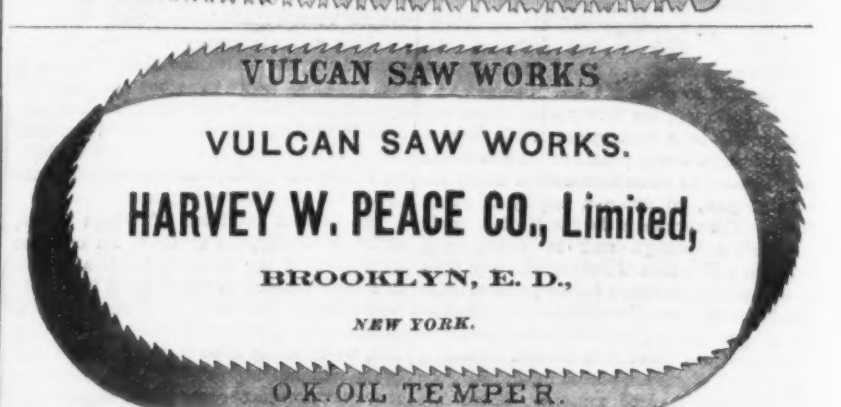
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PETITION OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF LABOR.

On the same day that Mr. Blair reported the resolution on the labor investigation, he had somewhat of a tilt with the Senate to secure permission to print in the record the petition of the national federation of labor. After considerable persuasion, however, claiming that the document embodied the views of the workmen of the United States, expressed through their official organization in the District of Columbia, and had special relation to the proposed inquiry of the Committee on Education and Labor, the Senate waived further objection. This novel document, proposes to present "some of the causes producing the widespread feeling of discontent which prevails among their fellow-workmen of the United States" and expresses appreciation of the steps taken by the Senate to ameliorate their social condition through the lawful power of the Nation. It also asserts the constitutional power of Congress to afford the remedy required, and then proceeds:

THE CHARGE AGAINST THE CAPITALIST.

But your petitioners respectfully submit to your enlightened judgment as Senators, that the existing relations of capital and labor are not adjusted in accordance with the principles of equity or fair dealing, and so long as these unfair relations are permitted by the law-making power to exist without some radical modification, all efforts to "insure domestic tranquility" will be futile; order cannot be enforced where justice is violated, except by a deplorable system of tyranny which would result in wholesale destruction of life and property, perhaps. The average wage workmen of the nation, owing to the inability of their parents to maintain them at schools and colleges, spend the days of their youth in acquiring the skill and developing the muscle necessary to fit them for their several vocations, rendering them valuable citizens and indispensable auxiliaries to the general welfare of the community. When they attain manhood and quit their apprenticeship, commencing life as journeymen mechanics, they find capitalists without mechanical skill (as a general rule) in full possession of all the profitable branches of the trade or business to the mastery of which the unfortunate workmen had previously devoted their entire youth in acquiring. With this cheerless prospect before them, the moneyless workmen have no recourse but to sell their dearly bought skill and labor upon such terms as the greedy capitalist aforesaid may see proper to allow them—a rate of wages generally very slightly in advance of the bare cost of subsistence. The hope of acquiring enough money to enter into competition with their employers by saving the scant surplus of their daily wages is exceedingly thin, and the mere contemplation of such an idea is in a great degree demoralizing to a young man of ambitious spirit. The Government considers a fair valuation of capital invested to be 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. In excess of this rate is illegal usury. The journeyman mechanic usually finds the capital invested in the prosecution of his own business yielding to the investors 40, 50, or 100 per cent. on the sale of the products of his skill and toil, after deducting his scanty wages. When the heat and burden of the day is over, and he returns after nightfall to his humble home, and hears the plaintive cry of his family for the common comforts of life, which his wages cannot afford, is not some manifestation of discontent a natural consequence of the failure on the part of Congress to fulfill the duty enjoined upon it by the Constitution, to wit, "the establishment of justice?" We submit this inquiry with all due respect and humility to the honorable Committee on Education and Labor. The workmen see but little sympathy manifested for their hopeless condition by the rich employer, grown fat on the unrequited toil of his laborers, and exclusive in his social relations—a great gulf stands between them in the scale of society—and he naturally seeks communion and fellowship with his fellow-sufferers. They organize a trade union, with very limited knowledge of parliamentary or statute law, and endeavor in their humble way to right the wrongs which they feel themselves subjected to by means of a "strike" for better remuneration for their toil. But capital always resists such demands, and imports from abroad, with the surplus means wrung from the toil of the strikers, another hungry crowd of workmen to take their places, driving their old employees out of their homes as despised "tramps." In some cases the defeated workmen, driven to frenzy, are provoked to commit violence, and public indignation is aroused on ex parte statements of the case in that portion of the public press deriving support mainly from employers. Then the strong arm of the Government is invoked by capital. To do what? Do they ask for the "establishment of justice"—the paramount object of the State? No! That is not their petition. They ask you to "insure domestic tranquility" by crushing out the strike with the bayonet of the militia or the bludgeon of the police, and thus maintain the capitalist in his "time-honored" system of unjust oppression.

STRIKES MADE PENAL.

It is reported that a law recently passed the Legislature of New York, making it a penal offense for workmen to combine to commit "any" act injurious to trade or commerce, which implies that a strike for higher wages is to be punished as a criminal offense. What will be the natural outgrowth of such legislation in a free Government? Why does the law-making power of the country skip the first injunction of the Constitution, and endeavor to enforce the second? Is a question naturally arising among workmen. The

answer to this, is thought by the mass of workmen of to-day, to be found in the popular belief that the working majority in charge of the machinery of the Government has been corrupted in all its branches by the more unscrupulous combinations of capitalists controlling vast corporations; so that this grand social superstructure, founded "by the people and for the people," has been converted from its legitimate purpose into an engine of oppression to the poor for the benefit of the rich, as we are taught by the debates in Congress and elsewhere, more or less authentic. Your petitioners are bound in justice to say, however, that the resolutions of the Senate, which have been referred to the honorable Committee on Education and Labor, indicate a new departure in the conduct of public affairs—a grand stride in the right direction toward a just solution of the labor problem. With the foregoing outline of the causes which lead to strikes, your petitioners respectfully refer to the next succeeding proposition contained in the first resolution, to wit: "What measures can be properly provided to modify or remove such causes of disturbance, and to provide against their continuance or recurrence?"

THE OBJECT OF TRADE UNIONS.

All that the workmen desire to accomplish by their trade unions is an opportunity to pursue their vocations under the eight-hour law and contribute to the general welfare of the nation by their labor and skill, and that they may be permitted to reap their legitimate reward for such labor, thus enabling them to improve their own condition, educate their children, feed, clothe and comfortably shelter their families, and enjoy the blessings of liberty on a perfect equality with their fellow-citizens engaged in other useful pursuits.

THE CREDIT OF THE GOVERNMENT TO PROMOTE LABOR.

We believe this result can be accomplished by the wise men of the nation assembled in Congress from time to time if they will boldly undertake to "establish justice" in the relations between capital and labor. Precedents in legislation are abundant wherein the credit of the Government has been extended to corporations organized for the "promotion of the general welfare," and if national organizations of workmen are encouraged to incorporate under the general laws for the prosecution of their legitimate business, if deemed by the Congress to be promotive of the general welfare, it seems practicable to your petitioners that such corporations might be allowed to issue stock or bonds bearing interest at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum to enable them to establish their manufacturing enterprises, and give to the Government a first mortgage on their factories and workshops in consideration of the Government guaranteeing the payment of the interest on such bonds as it falls due. By law the prices of such products could be controlled by the constitutional power of Congress over trade and commerce, so as to yield a fair day's wages for a reasonable day's work to every member of the corporation according to their relative degrees of merit as workmen, and at the same time protect the general community from oppressive exactions. The surplus profits derived from the business of each corporation could be utilized in building comfortable homes for the membership of each, and educating their families, raising them above the social grade which their present enforced poverty compels them to occupy. Under such a "co-operative system," regulated by national law, it is believed capital will reap its legitimate share, and honest labor its equitable reward. This theory, which is perhaps crudely presented, may appear to be an abridgement of the large liberty so long enjoyed by the avaricious capitalist in the employment of labor at his own terms, and selling its products at such enhanced valuation as the community can bear, without let or hindrance by law, making the rich richer and the poor poorer; but your petitioners firmly believe that their fellow-workmen, after their long period of enforced servitude as the mere thralls of the money centers of the country and their unscrupulous agents retained as task-masters, would hail such a beneficent measure of protection to the honest laborer as a happy deliverance from poverty, want and social degradation, and they would speedily realize that the Federal Government, in its second century of development, is a blessing to the industrious workman, instead of proving, as we are now inclined to regard it, a crushing and extortionate gatherer of taxes from the working elements to be squandered among idle, vicious and worthless political spendthrifts, who revel in the possession of unearned honors and gains, and look down upon the unrequited laborer with supercilious contempt and scorn. The public officer and the legislator under such a régime will be supported and respected as faithful public servants and benefactors, as they should be under a wise paternal government, seeking by proper measures to make our country the workshop of the world, and attracting to our shores the best skilled labor among civilized mankind.

THE COMMITTEE'S PURPOSE.

The Committee on Education and Labor propose to make their investigations as thorough as possible, and will endeavor to clearly define the powers and duties of Congress in the premises, so as to approximate, at least, as to where the responsibility rests as regards a continuance or recurrence of these disturbances.

THE TARIFF COMMISSION.

The members of the Tariff Commission have indicated their departure in time for the meeting proposed here to-morrow. The object of this gathering is simply for organization, and the selection of a central locality to suit the convenience of those who may have business before the commission. The choice of locality seems to rest between Saratoga and Long Branch. Professor Porter, the Commissioner from the District of Columbia, is still most prominently named for secretary.

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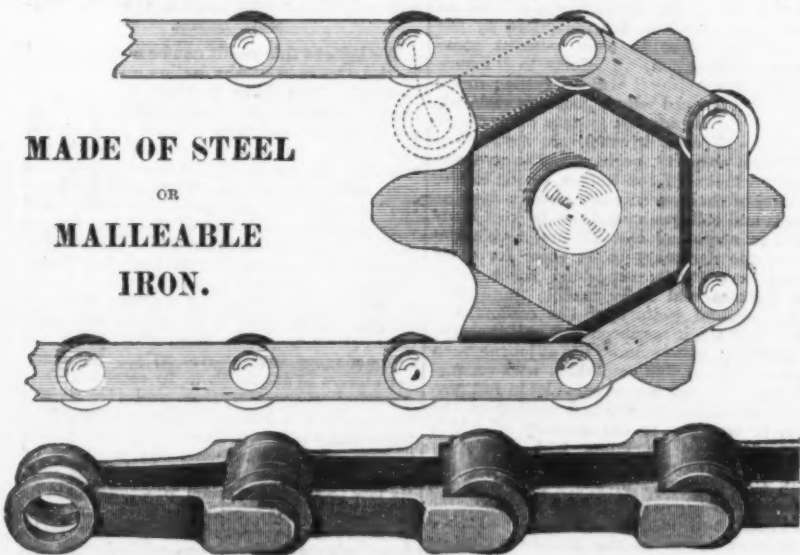
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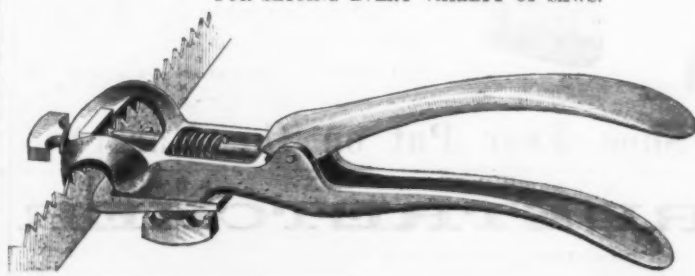
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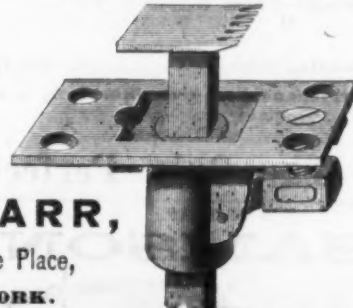
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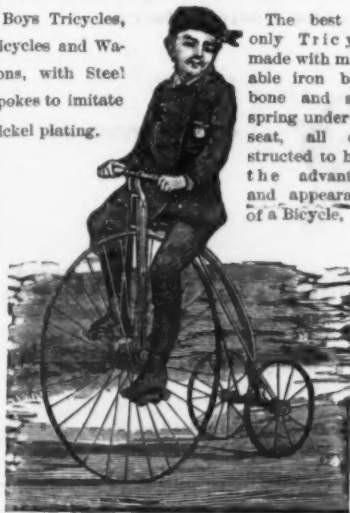


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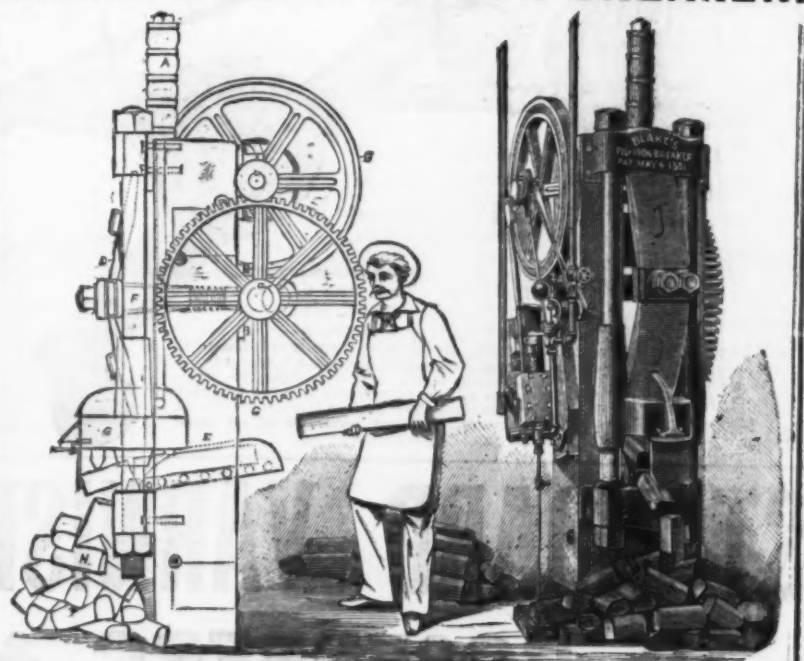
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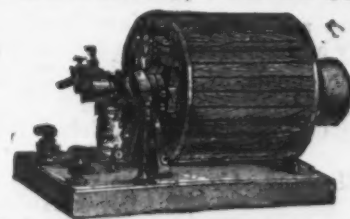
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Steel and Rolled Iron Statistics for 1881.

We continue herewith our abstracts from the valuable annual report of Mr. James M. Swank, Secretary of the American Iron and Steel Association, now in press:

PRODUCTION OF BESSEMER STEEL IN 1881.

The total quantity of Bessemer steel ingots produced in the United States in 1881 was 1,539,157 net tons, or 1,374,247 gross tons. The production in 1880 was 1,203,173 net tons; in 1879, 928,972 net tons; in 1878, 732,226 net tons. The increased production of 1881 over 1880 was 335,984 net tons, or 28 per cent.; over 1879 it was 610,185 net tons, or 66 per cent.; and over 1878 it was 806,931 net tons, or 110 per cent. The production of Bessemer steel ingots in this country in the 10 years from 1872 to 1881 has been as follows, in net tons:

Years.	Net tons.	Years.	Net tons.
1872.....	120,108	1877.....	560,587
1873.....	170,653	1878.....	732,226
1874.....	274,933	1879.....	928,972
1875.....	374,117	1880.....	1,203,173
1876.....	525,090	1881.....	1,539,157

Bessemer steel ingots were produced in 1881 by 13 works, of which 7 are in Pennsylvania. Two new works, both in Pennsylvania, produced Bessemer steel in 1881 for the first time. These works are those of the Pittsburgh Bessemer Steel Company, Limited, located at Homestead, near Pittsburgh, having two converters, and the Pittsburgh Steel Casting Company, of Pittsburgh, having but one converter. The Pittsburgh Bessemer Steel Company, Limited, made its first blow on March 10, 1881, and the Pittsburgh Steel Casting Company made its first blow on August 26, 1881. The latter company, as its name imports, intends to produce Bessemer steel castings, but it also proposes to produce Bessemer steel in other forms, a blooming mill being now in course of erection. Some extensions were made to old works in 1881, one new work has been completed and put into operation since the close of the year, and two new works are now in course of erection. The newly completed works are those of the Colorado Coal and Iron Company, located at South Pueblo, Colorado, which made their first blow on April 11, 1882. New Bessemer steel works at Scranton, in Pennsylvania, and at Chicago, are expected to go into operation this year. The new works at Chicago are owned by the North Chicago Rolling Mill Company, but are located at some distance from the company's old works, and hence virtually form a separate establishment, although not classified as such. A comprehensive exhibit of the 13 Bessemer steel works of the country which are completed or in progress is as follows:

Names of Companies.	Converters.	
	Completed.	Building.
Albany and Rensselaer Iron and Steel Co., Troy, N. Y.	two 6½-ton	
Bethlehem Iron Co., Bethlehem, Pa.	four 7-ton	
Pennsylvania Steel Co., Steelton, Pa.	two 6½-ton	
Lackawanna Iron and Steel Co., Scranton, Pa.	two 7½-ton	
Cambria Iron Co., Johnstown, Pa.	two 6-ton	
Carnegie Bros. & Co., Limited, Bessemer, Pa.	three 10-ton	
Pittsburgh Bessemer Steel Co., Lim., Homestead, Pa.	two 4-ton	
Pittsburgh Steel Casting Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.	one 7-ton	
Cleveland Rolling Mill Co., Cleveland, O.	two 10-ton	
North Chicago Rolling Mill Co., (plant at Chicago, Ill.)	two 6½-ton	two 10-ton
Union Iron and Steel Co., Chicago, Ill.	two 5½-ton	two 5½-ton
St. Louis Iron and Steel Co., St. Louis, Mo.	two 6½-ton	
Colorado Coal and Iron Co., South Pueblo, Colo.	two 4-ton	
Scranton Steel Co., Scranton, Pa.		two 4-ton
Total.....	33	4

Only 30 converters were in use in 1881. Carnegie Brothers & Co., Limited, having substituted three 10-ton converters since the close of the year for their two 7-ton converters, and the Colorado Coal and Iron Company having put its two converters at work in 1882 for the first time. The Cleveland Rolling Mill Company used two 6½-ton converters in 1881.

The American producers of Bessemer steel rolled 1,253,129 net tons, or 1,118,865 gross tons, of Bessemer steel rails in 1881. But this is not the whole quantity of Bessemer steel rails rolled in the United States in that year, as the iron rail mills of the country rolled 77,173 net tons of these rails, chiefly from imported blooms. The total quantity of Bessemer steel rails rolled in the United States in 1881 was, therefore, 1,330,302 net tons, or 1,197,770 gross tons.

The following table shows the production of Bessemer steel rails in the United States and Great Britain in 1880 and 1881, in gross tons:

	1880.	1881.	Increase.
United States.....	852,126	1,187,770	335,644
Great Britain.....	732,910	1,023,740	290,830

Excess of United States over Great Britain..... 122,856 154,030 31,174

The following table shows the production of Bessemer steel ingots in the United States and Great Britain in 1880 and 1881 in gross tons.

	1880.	1881.	Increase.
Great Britain.....	1,044,382	1,441,719	397,337
United States.....	1,074,252	1,374,247	300,000

Excess of United States over Great Britain..... 29,870 67,478 37,608

It will be seen from these tables that in 1880 the production of both Bessemer steel ingots and rails by the United States exceeded that of Great Britain, while in 1881 honors were divided, the United States producing the most rails and Great Britain producing the most ingots. But how unequal are all other elements of comparison in the Bessemer steel practice of the two countries! The British production of Bessemer steel in 1881 was made by 23 works with 82 converters in operation, while that of the United States was made by only 13 works with 30 converters in operation. The average production of each converter in Great Britain in 1881 was 17,770

gross tons of ingots, while the average production of each converter in the United States in the same year was 45,803 tons. In 1882 seven more converters will probably be in use in the United States, while in Great Britain there will be 41 more converters available than were at work in 1881, of which 14 are new.

The production of Bessemer steel rails in this country in the 15 years since 1867, when they were first made to fill orders, has been as follows, in net tons:

Years.	Net tons.	Years.	Net tons.
1867.....	2,550	1875.....	302,861
1868.....	7,935	1876.....	412,461
1869.....	9,650	1877.....	432,163
1870.....	34,000	1878.....	550,338
1871.....	38,250	1879.....	683,964
1872.....	54,070	1880.....	934,450
1873.....	120,015	1881.....	1,330,302
1874.....	144,944		

PRODUCTION OF CRUCIBLE, OPEN-HEARTH, BLISTER AND MISCELLANEOUS STEEL IN 1881.

The production of crucible steel ingots in the United States in 1881 was 89,762 net tons, against 72,424 tons in 1880, and 59,780 tons in 1879. The following table gives the production of crucible steel ingots in various sections of the country from 1874 to 1881, in net tons.

States.	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.
New England.....	1,530	1,740	1,008	1,074
New York.....	2,500	2,700	2,000	2,012
New Jersey.....	8,164	7,028	8,866	6,744
Pennsylvania.....	83,280	26,615	28,217	67,983
Western States.....	570	1,500	701	1,400
Southern States.....	100	808	200	202
Total.....	95,338	39,431	39,182	40,430
States.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.
New England.....	1,600	1,608	660	2,780
New York.....	2,820	8,300	3,500	4,071
New Jersey.....	7,737	8,681	10,347	14,500
Pennsylvania.....	39,585	43,614	37,777	60,290
Western States.....	430	605	800	1,311
Southern States.....	60	2		
Total.....	49,936	67,780	74,434	89,762

Seven States made crucible steel in 1881—Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Illinois. Pennsylvania, as has been the case for many years, made in that year about three-fourths of the total production.

The production of open-hearth steel ingots in the United States in 1881 was 146,046 net tons, against 112,953 tons in 1880, and 56,290 tons in 1879. Our open-hearth steel industry has made a rapid advance in late years. In 1874 our total production of open-hearth steel ingots was only 7000 net tons. Rapid, however, as our progress in the production of this class of steel has been, we still fall far behind the production of Great Britain. In 1881 that country produced 338,000 gross tons, or 373,560 net tons, of open-hearth steel. The following table gives the production of open-hearth steel ingots in the United States from 1874 to 1881, in net tons.

States.....	18,74	1875.....	1876.....	1877.....
New England.....	5,300	3,043	6,085	6,052
New York.....	1,700	4,249	7,547	7,771
New Jersey.....				
Pennsylvania.....				
Western and Southern States.....		1,800	7,858	10,608
Total.....	7,000	9,092	21,430	23,823
States.....	1878.....	1879.....	1880.....	1881.....
New England.....	8,238	14,560	20,860	24,550
New York.....	12,321	57,735	57,735	63,351
New Jersey.....				
Pennsylvania.....				
Western and Southern States.....	15,667	24,058	41,675	53,053
Total.....	36,125	56,230	112,953	146,046

Eight States made open-hearth steel in 1881—New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee and Illinois. These States had 38 open-hearth furnaces at work in 1881 and 4 furnaces idle. Rhode Island and Kentucky each had one open-hearth furnace in 1881 which was not in operation. The total number of open-hearth furnaces in the country in 1881 was 44.

The production of blister and puddled steel and of "patented" steel in 1881 was only 3,047 net tons, against 8,465 tons in 1880, and 5,464 in 1879. These branches of our steel industry scarcely deserve a separate classification. The following table gives the production of these classes of steel from 1874 to 1881, in net tons.

States	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.
New England.....	375	1,530	.....	.....
New York.....	200	.....	139	.....
New Jersey.....	.....	103	619	.....
Pennsylvania.....	4,412	7,349	7,504	9,379
Western States.....	1,300	.....	1,700	.....
Southern States.....	60	3,657	214	20
Total.....	6,373	12,637	13,306	11,224
States	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.
New England.....	192	219	73	201
New York.....	210	213	617	.....
New Jersey.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pennsylvania.....	8,069	3,004	6,633	2,113
Western States.....	75	1,013	1,013	734
Southern States.....	.....	245	100	.....

The small quantity of blister, puddled and miscellaneous steel which was made in this country in 1881 was produced in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and Ohio.

PRODUCTION OF ALL KINDS OF STEEL IN 1881.

The following table gives the production in the United States of crucible steel ingots, blister steel, and steel made by various minor processes, from 1865 to 1881, in net tons.

Years.	Net tons.	Years.	Net tons.
1865.....	15,264	1874.....	42,681
1866.....	28,973	1875.....	53,068
1867.....	19,000	1876.....	43,575
1868.....	21,500	1877.....	57,275
1869.....	21,000	1878.....	57,374
1870.....	35,000	1879.....	62,244
1871.....	37,000	1880.....	80,889
1872.....	37,000	1881.....	92,309
Total.....	45,320		

The following table gives the production in the United States of all kinds of steel in the 10 years from 1872 to 1881, in net tons.

Years.	Net tons.	Years.	Net tons.
1872.....	120,108	1877.....	560,587
1873.....	170,653	1878.....	732,226
1874.....	274,933	1879.....	928,972
1875.....	374,117	1880.....	1,203,173
1876.....	525,090	1881.....	1,539,157
Total.....	1,539,157		

An increase in our production of steel from 160,103 net tons to 1,773,912 tons in 10 years reads like a fable. The figures are,

however, reliable. They undoubtedly record the greatest metallurgical achievement ever accomplished by any country.

PRODUCTION OF BARS, SHAPES, PLATES, SHEETS AND OTHER ROLLED IRON IN 1881.

By the term "rolled iron" we include (1) cut nails and spikes; (2) bar, shaped, bolt, rod, skelp and hoop iron; (3) plate and sheet iron, and (4) all sizes of iron rails. Bessemer steel rails are not classed among rolled-iron products.

The production of all kinds of rolled iron in the United States in 1881, including iron rails, was 2,643,927 net tons, against 2,332,668 tons in 1880, and 2,047,483 tons in 1879.

In the following table we give detailed statistics of the production of the different forms of rolled iron in each of the States in 1881, in net tons:

States.	Bar, rod, bolt, hoop, skelp and plate, except flat plate—Net tons.	Cut nails.	Net tons.	Total.
Maine.....	5,433		2,193	7,626
N. H.....	3,000			3,000
R. I.....	25,124	29,449	20,254	74,827
Conn.....	17,589			17,589
N. Y.....	126,172	4,247	11,197	141,616
R. I.....	52,793	1,821	12,426	67,040
Penn.....	71,113	251,248	1,014,706	1,337,067
Del.....	24,929	10,355		35,284
MD.....	18,117	14,313		32,430
D. C.....	260			260
Virginia.....	33,854	127,566	6,375	167,795
Georgia.....	3,000			3,000
Ala.....	8,772			8,772
Fla.....	1,106	6,334	1,102	8,542
Tex.....	42,778	93,311	1,020,080	1,156,169
Cal.....	1,158	49,475	4,725	51,358
Ind.....	20,181	975	10,316	31,472
Ill.....	51,560	17,034	78,080	146,674
Ohio.....	22,247	37,327	56,064	115,638
Missouri.....	12,141	4,500		16,641
Nebr.....	14,015	5,040		19,055
Kans.....	10,548			10,548
Col.....	3,305			3,305
W. Va.....	1,200			1,200
W. Ter.....	1,404			1,404
Total.....	1,491,555	373,082	5,794,206	28,700,083

Our production of cut nails in 1881 (5,794,206 kegs) was much the largest in our history. Our next largest production was in 1880, when we produced 5,370,512 kegs. It is a noticeable fact that the production of cut nails in this country has not in recent years advanced with the rapidity that has characterized other branches of our iron and steel industries. In 1873 our production was 4,024,704 kegs, and in 1874 it was 4,912,180 kegs. From 1874 to 1879 the annual production fluctuated between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 kegs, in the latter year amounting to 5,011,021 kegs. The production in 1880 and 1881 has been mentioned above.

The following table gives the production of all kinds of rolled iron in the United States from 1864 to 1881, in net tons:

Years.	Iron Rails.	Other Rolled Iron.	Total.
1864.....	335,360	536,958	872,318
1865.....	356,242	500,048	856,290
1866.....	427,711	1,020,080	1,447,791
1867.....	453,518	879,828	1,333,346
1868.....	492,483	1,097,773	1,590,256
1869.....	533,036	1,226,350	1,759,386
1870.....	590,000	1,292,567	1,882,567
1871.....	717,483	1,447,483	2,164,966
1872.....	925,033	1,847,922	2,772,955
1873.....	1,075,368	1,877,432	2,952,800
1874.....	1,110,147	1,624,610	2,734,757
1875.....	1,092,567	1,592,516	2,685,083
1876.....	1,049,101	1,539,950	2,589,051
1877.....	1,144,212	1,475,759	2,619,971
1878.....	1,232,636	1,555,576	2,788,212
1879.....	1,267,324	2,047,483	3,314,807
1880.....	1,332,668	2,332,668	3,665,336
1881.....	1,491,555	2,152,372	3,643,927

It has been said that the puddling furnace and the iron rolling mill must soon give way to the Bessemer converter, the open hearth and the steel rolling mill. The table just given shows that in this country the puddling and rolling of iron are steadily increasing.

PRODUCTS OF FORGES AND BLOOMERIES IN 1881.

As we have heretofore explained, blooms and billets from ore are made chiefly in the Champlain district of New York, and blooms from pig and scrap iron are made chiefly in Pennsylvania. The make of each of these products in the last nine years is given below, in net tons. The steady increase in their production in the last three years is an interesting fact:

Products.	1873.	1874.	1875.	1876.	1877.
Blooms and billets from ore.....	34,863	36,495	44,416	59,784	64,227
Blooms from pig and scrap iron.....	29,701	35,220	24,827	23,844	23,073
Total.....	64,564	71,715	69,243	83,628	87,300
Products.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	
Blooms and billets from ore.....	24,139	30,282	40,559	45,359	
Blooms from pig and scrap iron.....	29,905	30,071	33,937	39,327	
Total.....	54,044	60,353	74,496	84,686	

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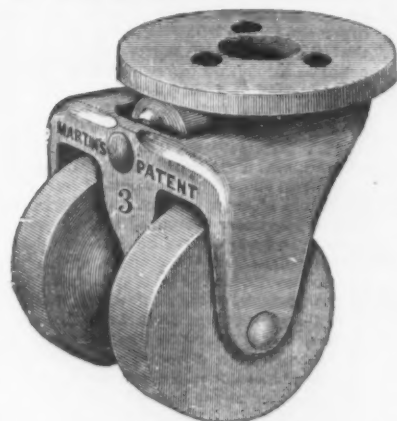
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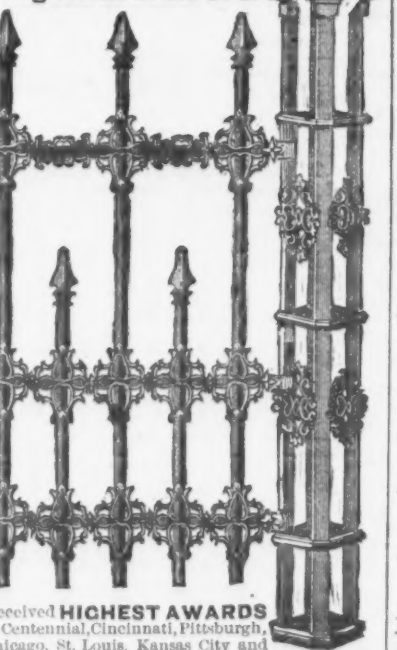
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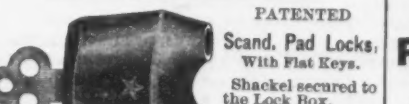
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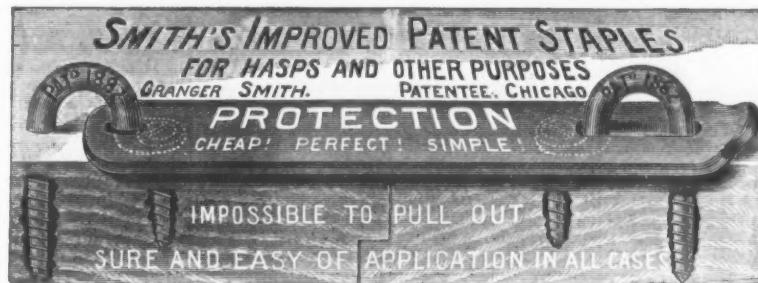
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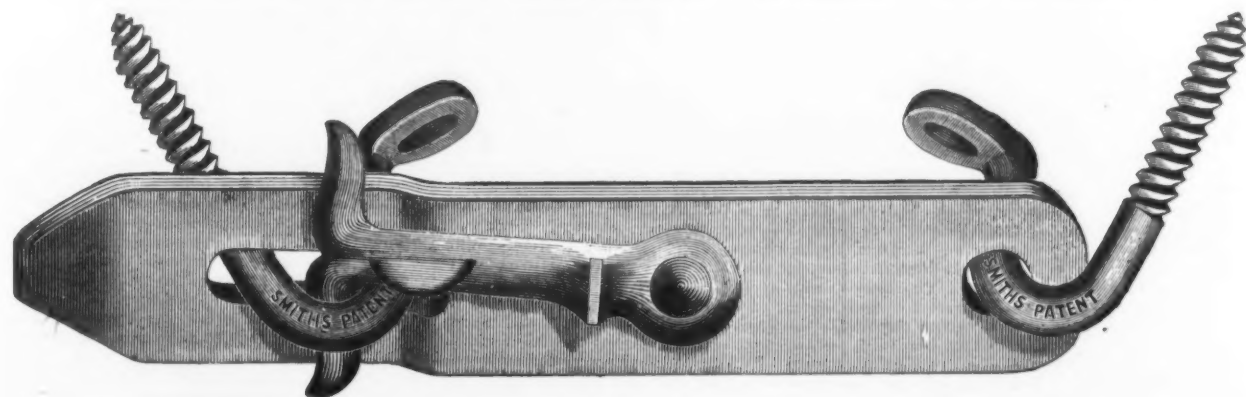
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Mr. Richards explains the cause of the difference in flow and the increased tenacity of the grooved specimen by the following theory: Let a filament or single chain of molecules or atoms of ductile metal be imagined to be submitted to tensile test, and let the length of the chain be 8 inches. Under tension each molecule would become separated from its neighbor so far as their cohesive attraction would permit. On releasing the strain the molecules would return to their original positions, and no permanent extension of the chain would have taken place, the chain being perfectly elastic. The greatest distance which one molecule could be separated from its neighbor would be an infinitely small quantity, and the total of the numerous extensions of the intermolecular spaces would probably not exceed 3-100ths of an inch on the full length of the chain (8 inches.) This extension would represent the real limit of elasticity, beyond which rupture would ensue. The strain borne under this greatest temporary extension would be the elastic limit, the cohesive force and the tensile strength. If the extension were pushed beyond this limit of 3-100ths of an inch, or thereabouts, on 8 inches, the chain of molecules would break, but each broken portion of the chain would show no indication of permanent set. Now, a cylindrical test bar of mild steel may be regarded as a vast aggregate of chains of molecules, each link having the peculiar facility, under high tension, of leaving its own chain and taking up a position between the two nearest links of an adjoining chain of molecules. The chains of molecules may thus become permanently elongated by the addition of new links, but they are at the same time reduced in number. The permanent elongation of a specimen is an indication that such a flow of the molecules has occurred. The direction of the flow of the molecules is from the exterior to the interior, and the specimen diminishes in diameter. Each chain, in the aggregate, may be supposed to be capable of bearing the same strain as if tested alone, or, as if it had not become elongated by the addition of neighboring molecules; but, as the chains are fewer in number, the total strain carried by the whole mass prior to rupture is less than if the flow of the links or molecules could have been prevented. For a simile, it is plain that 1000 feet of ordinary iron chain, having a tensile strength of one ton, may be divided into a hundred equal lengths of 10 feet, which, by their combined tension, may be made to support a load of 100 tons; but, if the chain be divided into 50 parts, each 20 feet long, the united strength of the 50 parts is only 50 tons. In the case of a test specimen of ductile material, each molecule, however, is not only a link of a chain in a longitudinal direction, but it may also be regarded as a constituent link of molecular chains in all directions, including, of course, the transverse. This is evident from the equal tenacity of specimens of steel plate cut from the plate either longitudinally, transversely, or in any other direction. In an ordinary 8-inch cylindrical specimen, the end links of the transverse molecular chains come to the surface and are free. They therefore offer no tensile resistance to the flow of the molecules in a transverse direction. In a grooved specimen the transverse molecular chains are not free, but are united to the ring of external metal, and if this ring be of sufficient strength to resist the transverse tension, the reduction of area will be so slight that the tensile strength per square inch of the specimen will be approximately to the cohesive force. Although a high strain is required to break a grooved specimen, yet the extension before rupture is so small, owing to the shortness of the extended part, that the mechanical work done in breaking the bar is trifling. A ductile or a hard cylindrical test specimen, having a transverse groove in it, must always break in the grooved part, provided the metal be in a normal condition—that is, of homogeneous quality and free from undue internal strain. From this it may be concluded that abrupt variations in the dimensions of pieces of machinery, or portions of structures subject to blows or vibrations, should be avoided.

The results of numerous experiments have proved that the tensile strength of steel plate of mild quality, perforated with drilled holes, is greater than that of the same plate unperforated. It was found by Professor Kennedy that the excess of tensile resistance of drilled specimens of Landore steel of mild quality over unperforated specimens was about 11.2 per cent. The flow of the metal in the unperforated piece being less than in an ordinary one, the cohesive force is developed on larger area, and a higher load can consequently be borne.

It has been remarked by Dr. Siemens that by careful manipulation the breaking strain of a bar of a given sectional area may be raised to an appreciable extent, becoming gradually accustomed to the strain. Mr. Richards, however, found no difference in the elastic limits and tensile strengths of two different specimens, one of which had been previously subjected to strain and then relieved. In another experiment the test was varied by proceeding directly with the extension of the specimen, without first removing the strain which it had borne, and the results were similar to those in the first experiment. In investigating the effect of tension after tension, a specimen 1½-inch in diameter, and 12 inches long (elastic limit being 17.31 tons per square inch), was subjected to a strain until an extension of 1 inch on a length of 8 inches had taken place. The specimen was then removed from the machine, and

was turned down to the ordinary dimensions, 8 inches by 1½-inch diameter.

On resuming the test, a marked difference in the behavior of the metal was observed, the elastic limit being reached only after the application of a load of 33.75 tons, or about twice that of the original elastic limit. The strain then gradually diminished, fracture taking place at 31.3 tons. The elongation was only 6½ per cent., the contraction being 30.61 per cent., showing that the extension had been chiefly local. In another experiment a specimen was turned to a diameter of 1¼ inch for a length of 9 inches, and was then submitted to a compressive strain until it had become shortened a ¼ inch, the load on the bar being 21.25 tons, equal to 17.12 tons per square inch of original area, or 16.84 tons per square inch of increased area. Under this pressure the bar was buckled into the form of an elongated letter S, the strain being resolved into a double-bending strain, instead of a pure compressive strain. The bar was then taken out of the testing machine, and was roughly straightened under hydraulic pressure equal to 40 tons, the surface of the round bar becoming somewhat flattened by the treatment. A variety of strains was thus set up in the bar, which was afterward turned down to a sectional area of 1 square inch, and was then submitted to tensile test. There was no distinct "breaking-down" period under tension, but the "elastic limit" appeared to be increased from 17.41 tons, to 20.14 tons, equal to an increase of 13.5 per cent. The maximum strain was also increased from 28.35 tons to 30.18 tons, an increase of 6 per cent. The elongation was less than in the normal specimen No. 1, being only 20 per cent., against 27½ per cent.; and the contraction of sectional area was 35 per cent., instead of 44.5 per cent.

A piece of soft Bessemer steel of excellent quality was selected for still another experiment, the test piece being subjected to tension after torsion. It was made by the Barrow Hematite Steel Company from hematite iron and ordinary spiegeleisen about 14 years ago, ferromanganese not being used at that time in the manufacture of mild steel. The specimen for torsion was turned from a rolled 2-inch square bar, the original square section being left at the middle to hold the bar, while the ends were twisted simultaneously until the bar became sheared on one side or the other by the strain. The twisted specimen was slotted into two halves; one end was heated to a red heat, drawn out of the furnace and allowed to cool on the iron floor of the forge, the object of this treatment being to allow the molecules of the bar to free themselves from strain, in order to bring the bar into its normal condition as it was before torsion. The other half was not heated. Specimens were then turned to the same form from the two pieces, and were submitted to tensile strain. The results were as follows:

	Annealed.	Not Annealed.
Elastic limit.....	19.59 tons.	29.88 tons.
Tensile strain per sq. inch.....	32.01 tons.	37.77 tons.
Cohesive force.....	33.47 tons.	37.80 tons.
Elongation on 4 in.....	26.85 per cent.	11.25 per cent.
Contraction of sectional area.....	57.30 per cent.	49.57 per cent.
Mechanical work for length of 4 inches.....	28.04 inch-tons	15.15 inch-tons

The results of this test are of special interest as they prove one curious fact, viz., that when a bar is strained in such a manner as to alter its elasticity, time alone has little or no influence afterward in permitting the molecules to rearrange themselves so as to become free from strain. The interval of time between the torsional test and the subsequent tensile test of the bar was 14 years, and it appears that the bar remained in a highly elastic condition during the whole of that period. The experiments prove that the elastic limit of a steel bar varies according to its treatment previous to testing, and, in one sense support the opinion of Dr. Siemens, that any mechanical treatment to which mild steel is subjected has invariably the effect of increase of strength. The precise meaning of the term "strength" is, however, of considerable importance in this connection. If by increase of strength is meant increased resistance to static pressure, these experiments confirm Dr. Siemens' observation. If the "strength" of the material be taken to mean its power of resisting impact, then mechanical treatment has the effect of diminishing the strength. In concluding, Mr. Richards briefly dwelt upon some magnetic indications which may be observed in the process of making tensile tests on steel bars, stating, at the same time, that there appeared to be a wide field for investigation in this branch of physics.

Locomotive Boilers.

The following abstract of the report of Mr. R. Wells, Chairman of the Committee on Boilers of the Master Mechanics' Association, is of great interest. Though intended for perusal of railroad master mechanics, it contains information valuable to the general engineer as well as to boiler users. The locomotive boiler is a very popular form of steam generating apparatus, and the experience gained upon the locomotive is equally applicable to the portable engine, in which this form of boiler is largely used. Among our best engineers it is looked upon with great favor, and in several notable instances, as, for example, those built by Leavitt for the Calumet and Hecla, it is given conspicuous preference. The report here given is a synopsis of the latest information on this subject:

As regards the material to be used in the construction of boilers, homogeneous steel, as now made in this country, leaves but little to be desired; but, notwithstanding its excellence, it is not entirely free from ruptured side sheets in the large class of locomotive boilers, where the box is deep and the water used deposits a hard scale. The fault, in most cases, is not so much with the material as with strain from compression beyond the elastic limit. That fire-box sheets are frequently subject to such undue strains, as was shown by a series of tests published in the tenth annual report of the association. The formation of the steel is such as to increase expansion by allowing it to attain a temperature higher than it otherwise would, developing strains in the sheet that sometimes produce permanent elongation or contraction in a comparatively small section of the sheet;

and when the temperature becomes uniform in all parts of the sheet, the part under tensile strength is liable to rupture, beginning always at a stay-bolt hole.

On some of the divisions of the road with which the writer is connected, not 5 per cent. of the fire-box sheets in engines doing heavy work have cracked during the past 10 years. The water used deposits very little scale. On other divisions, more particularly those north of the Ohio River, the facts are somewhat different. When the water is more or less impregnated with lime and other impurities, the life of fire-boxes is probably not more than one-half the average of those used on lines south of the Ohio River.

The character of water used has, of course, an important influence on the life of a fire-box and tube ends, but even with the best of water a fire-box has its day. With good water the flanges of the tube sheets, and the back sheets from the top of the grate about 36 inches up, are the points which ordinarily give out. With water which makes a heavy scale the side sheets give out at the stay-bolts. It is important in all cases that the flanges of fire-box sheets should be as short as possible. The closer the seam is to the corner the longer it will last. This is a matter which, I conclude from observation, is very often overlooked in fire-box construction. All laps exposed to the fire should be as short as possible, especially where the heat is great. If properly turned, the flanges need not be more than 2 inches from the face of the sheet in the vertical seams for a distance of 2 or 3 feet above the grate. A lap of 1½ inches for the seam is sufficient at that place. Further from the grate the lap and length of flange may be increased without danger. I have noticed many cases where tube sheets were much worn around the end of the tube in the form of a countersink about ¼ inch wide, and the same in depth around the lower and central tubes, while at other points the sheets were apparently good. Such wear is almost always found in engines which are doing work with boilers too small for their cylinders. With copper tube sheets the wear from this cause seems to be even greater than with steel sheets. This cutting away is due, probably, to the impact of particles of coal and cinder drawn toward the tubes by the force of the draft. The action of these particles is the same as that of sand in the sand blast. If this theory is correct, it is well to have as little projection of the tube ends as possible. To countersink the tube hole sufficiently to receive the flange on the end of the tube without leaving a sloping projection on its outer edge will add to the life of the sheet.

As regards improvement in the design of boilers, little that is new can be said. The first successful locomotive boilers were of the tubular pattern, the fire-box surrounded by a water-space. The same form is used today, and, until some new method of generating power is discovered, we may be obliged to continue using it. The "Verderber" boiler, without water-space around the fire-box, was tried on several locomotives on one of the Hungarian roads, but it seems to have been a failure.

In designing a locomotive boiler the character of the fuel should be carefully considered, especially in proportioning the grate area of the fire-box. I will give the results of a series of tests made in the boiler of one of the passenger engines of the Louisville and Nashville R. R., in April and May, 1882, with seven different kinds of coal. The engine had 18 x 24-inch cylinders, 5 feet 3 inch drivers, 8 wheels, a boiler 54 inches in diameter, the wagon top raised 6 inches above the cylinder part and a 30-inch dome. The fire-box was 72 x 34 inches at the grate. There were 191 2-inch tubes 11 feet 5½ inches long. The fire-box with brick arch, supported on four water pipes tapped into the sheets below the boiler tubes and into the crown sheet 13 inches from the back sheet. The live grate area was 12½ feet; tube surface (inside) 1052 feet; heating surface of fire-box, 115 feet—total, 1167 feet; deducting for tube holes, fire-door and surface below grate. During the tests the engine was run and fired by the same men, the coal carefully weighed and the water measured. The average speed run was 27 miles per hour, and the average number of cars per train 6.7-10. Wood was used for firing up.

Coal.	Eng. miles.	Evap. of water per lb. of coal.
No. 1.....	374	7.311
No. 2.....	561	5.847
No. 3.....	374	6.408
No. 4.....	374	6.269
No. 5.....	374	5.393
No. 6.....	748	5.483
No. 7.....	561	6.327

Average temperature of water in boiler 65° F.; average steam pressure in boiler, 130 pounds. The total engine mileage was 3366 miles and the average evaporation 6.002 pounds water per pound of coal. Each run was 187 miles. The coals used were:

- No. 1—Best quality, Pittsburgh.
- No. 2—Inferior quality, Pittsburgh.
- No. 3—Alabama.
- No. 4—Tennessee, near Chattanooga.
- No. 5—
- No. 6—Central Kentucky.
- No. 7—

The difference in evaporation between the best and the poorest of these coals was 26 per cent. This will serve to show that our monthly reports of coal burned per mile and per car hauled are of no practical value for comparison except when the coal is of the same quality.

As the rule, it may be said that the area of "fire grate" should be the least on which we can burn the amount of fuel necessary to generate the amount of steam required. What its area should be will depend largely upon the coal used. Careful tests must be chiefly relied on to determine the proper modifications needed to adapt a fire-box to the kind of fuel to be burned. When bituminous coal rich in gas is to be employed, it is important that the fire-box should be large enough to give time for the perfect combustion of the gases before they enter the tubes, and that the heating surface be as great and the boiler as large as possible within the limits allowable.

A large quantity of water in the boiler gives proportionate capacity for stirring up heat—accumulating it when the demand for steam is comparatively light and giving it out as required, without causing the great variations in water pressure which occur when boilers are deficient in capacity. A

large boiler, like a fly-wheel, accumulates power at times when it would otherwise be wasted, and responds to sudden demands for it, for a time at least, without much apparent diminution of its force.

As regards the material for boilers and the character of workmanship, there need not be any very great differences of opinion. All should be as nearly perfect as possible. A boiler which is strong enough may be said to be as strong as it is worth while to make it, no matter how constructed. But a boiler may be strong enough when new, and not strong enough when old and weakened by corrosion, unequal expansion, the springing of sheets and the strains from the attachments. Theoretically and practically our boilers are amply strong when new, but are weakened unduly by the causes noted. Tests by hydraulic pressure of boilers long in service, convinces one that the margin of safety between the ordinary pressure and that necessary to produce rupture is unpleasantly narrow in many old boilers in service. The base of the dome seems to be the weak point in many old boilers insufficiently braced. Much improvement has been made of late years in increasing the strength of boilers, but there is room for further improvement in that direction. Perhaps our English friends go too far, but I am satisfied that in some particulars English practice could with advantage be imitated here. As the rule, the metal in our boiler shells is not thick enough, lacking rigidity and stiffness rather than strength, though the shell is not as strong, in proportion, as other parts of the engine, and it is generally the first part to need repairs. Within a few years the diameter of large boilers has been increased about 22 per cent., while the thickness of plates has been increased only about 16 per cent. Considering that the strain pressures have also been increased to the extent of perhaps 8 per cent., the thickness of the shell of a 54-inch boiler should be ½ inch, to be in proportion to what was considered necessary when the 44-inch boiler was in general use.

The "Belpair" boiler, extensively used in foreign locomotives with good results, has thus far been but little used in this country; and when water which makes no scale is used, neither the Belpair nor any similar system would be likely to show much superiority over the common plan in evaporation or durability, if the crown bars are high enough above the sheet, say 1½ or 2 inches, to permit a free circulation; but with such water as is ordinarily used in this country, it would seem that the boiler having the least area of surface where deposits could form would be the best, other things being equal. A crown sheet stayed by bolts to the outer shell would receive only about one-third as much scale falling from the bolts and bracing directly over it as the one supported by crown bars; and as the detached scale falling from the crown bars and braces where the water is very impure is a troublesome and expensive matter, the question of reducing the "dead" surfaces, as they may be called, when these deposits are formed, is one worthy of more consideration than it has yet received.

LABOR AND WAGES.

The *Labor Tribune* has a letter from its St. Louis correspondent professing to give the action of the recent stove convention at Niagara Falls on labor: "Throughout the two days the main question was with regard to labor, and more especially labor organizations—how to circumvent, encompass and suppress them. It was the pronounced opinion of the meeting that energetic steps should be taken toward restriction of output, and the introduction of the Filley style of production of both molders. A committee of three was appointed to carry out the plan. To accomplish this latter contract the Filley semi-apprenticeship system will be introduced; that is, there will be an effort made in that direction. Mr. Filley's way of breaking a union is to hire a floor full of boys and put squads under journeymen teachers, producing in a few months full-blown molders, and castings equal in finish to that of the fresh batch of molders thus produced."

The Mr. Hickory Iron Company at Erie, Pa., have issued circulars to all the strikers, declining positively to accede to their demand, and stating that on July 5 contracts will be made for men to sign and return to work. Those unwilling to sign are warned to vacate the cottages adjacent to the rolling mill, they being the property of the company.

Senator Blair, of the Committee on Education and Labor, reported a substitute for the resolution directing an investigation into labor strikes. The substitute enlarges the scope of the proposed investigation by including the relations between labor and capital, wages and hours of labor, the condition of the laboring classes in the United States and their wages as compared with similar classes abroad, and the causes or agencies producing strikes. The Committee on Education and Labor is directed to make the investigation, and is empowered to sit during vacation, to visit different localities, to examine persons under oath, &c.

Mr. Laufman, of the Apollo (Pa.), Iron Works, which is running non-union, pays his respects to the Amalgamated Association in the following manner: "Find below two extracts from the *Labor Tribune*, of this week with my comments. 'What do the tools at Apollo think now when the men working in their neighboring mills (Leechburg) are getting the prices in the district? Can you still continue to cut your own throats?'—*Labor Tribune*. The 'tools' at Apollo are lying around loose. The Apollo freemen are at work, making from \$3 to \$8 per day, with roast beef. Where are the 'Leechburg tools' now? The following also refers to the Apollo mill: 'Last Monday, the 26th ult., they broke the house and the corner off the dovetail of the bed-plate on the large mill. As everything is satisfactory, this is too. If the breaking in of green hands was a profitable business other manufacturers undoubtedly would have realized the fact before this.'—*Labor Tribune*. True, we broke an old house which was cracked, but our 'skilled' workmen broke 18 chilled rolls last year and about 6 this year up to the time they quit. How's that for 'skilled' workmen?' At the present writ-

ing we imagine Mr. Laufman is somewhat ahead.

The Knights of Labor have issued the following circular: *To the President of the Maryland and Clearfield Coal Exchanges:* The following was adopted jointly by the miners of the Georges Creek, Maryland, coal region, composing District 25 of the Knights of Labor, and the miners of Clearfield and Centre Counties, composing District 40 of the same order:

Resolved, That the Grand Executive Board of the Knights of Labor be requested to act as a conciliatory board to effect a settlement of the difficulties existing in the Georges Creek, Maryland, and Clearfield, Pa., districts, the districts having amalgamated. All correspondence tending towards a settlement to be sent to the Grand Executive Board of the Knights of Labor, through the Grand Secretary's office.

The above request has been complied with, and the board will act upon notification from the operators interested. R. D. LAYTON, Grand Secretary Knights of Labor, Lock Box 870, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The bituminous coal miners in Pittsburgh—the Cumberland and Clearfield regions—are in a state of ferment. At Pittsburgh the railroad coal miners are in the thirteenth week of the strike. Cumberland is still out. About half of Clearfield went out last week. Meyersdale and Elk Garden regions struck on Saturday for an advance of from 50 to 65 cents per ton. They also say they will not resume work until the advance asked for in the Cumberland region is granted. This action is the result of the combination formed at Bedford, Penn., on Thursday and Friday last. The miners in Weston, Penn., are appealing for aid. Secretary Flannery, through the Mahanoy (Schuylkill County) Record, has issued an appeal for aid to the miners of Luzerne, Schuylkill, Carbon, Northumberland, Columbia and Dauphin Counties. There are about 60,000 miners and laborers employed in the pits of these counties.

The men at Moorhead's Furnace, Pittsburgh, have submitted to a reduction of 25 cents a day.

The present labor troubles at Pittsburgh have called out a number of statements as to the earnings of labor. A "heater" sends the following to the *Pittsburgh Leader*: *Editor of the Leader*—In an editorial last evening and at different times lately there has been a great deal published about the wages of heaters and rollers, and there has been no correction from our side. The feelings of the public and press have been against us as finishers. Now, Mr. Editor, with your permission I will give you the exact figures, so you can make no mistake on the question. These figures are the wages paid at our bar mills, and are correct. The average output on bar mills in Pittsburgh per day is 15 tons (2240 pounds). Price per ton, 70 cents; two heaters, one roller on a job, each heater will make \$5.25, out of which he will pay his helper from \$1.50 to \$2 per day. The roller will get \$10.50 per day, and will pay rougher \$3.25, and in summer a finisher \$3 per day, which will leave him \$4.25. Rollers have the most responsible positions in rolling mills, and serve from 10 to 20 years before they get a job like the one I am describing. You will please publish this from one who has worked in the mill from youth up, and is only a "heater."

It is 19 weeks since the Phoenix Iron Company's puddlers left the employ of that company in preference to resigning from the union. Many of the heaters who struck in favor of the puddlers' action have since returned to work, and almost daily others are preferring work to idleness.

The New York Iron and Metal Exchange.

The rooms of the "House of Commons" will be formally opened on Tuesday next, July 11, at 1 o'clock p. m. There will be some speechmaking, refreshments, of course, and perhaps music. The painting and decorating of the building, corner Burling Slip and Pearl street, is finished, and the furniture and carpets will be ready for the opening. Telephones and messenger calls have been put in, and the American Rapid Telegraph Company will have an office in the building. The rules are approaching completion, and on the day after the opening the daily calls will begin.

We have received for publication the following letter, which is designed to correct some of the rumors which have been put in circulation to the effect that seats in the Exchange are offered below par:

NEW YORK, July 5, 1882.

To the Editor of The Iron Age.—SIR: I understand there is a great difference of opinion as regards the value of Iron and Metal Exchange memberships. I hereby agree to pay \$135, cash, each for as many certificates of membership as are delivered to me at my office on or before July 8, 1882. Respectfully, WM. WILLIS MERRILL.

Mr. Merrill is an operator in exchange memberships at No. 4 Stone street. As his bid may be considered the first "call" of the exchange, we give it space—especially as it is not probable that any offers are expected by or before July 8th.

Mr. Stead, of Middlesbrough, England, recently read a paper on "A Rapid Method of Estimating Phosphorus, and on Gas Analysis, with Remarks on the Combustion of Blast-furnace Gases," before the Cleveland Institution of Engineers. Mr. Stead, in advocating systematic examinations of blast-furnace gases, stated that he had occasionally detected that one-third of the gas passed unconsumed into the air, which was equivalent to throwing away almost 70 tons of coal per week for every blast furnace making 400 tons of pig iron.

During a recent thunder-storm lightning struck the electric-light pole in Union Square, New York, causing a brilliant flame to envelop the burners for a few seconds. The "accommodator" was broken, but no further damage was done. The light was not even put out.

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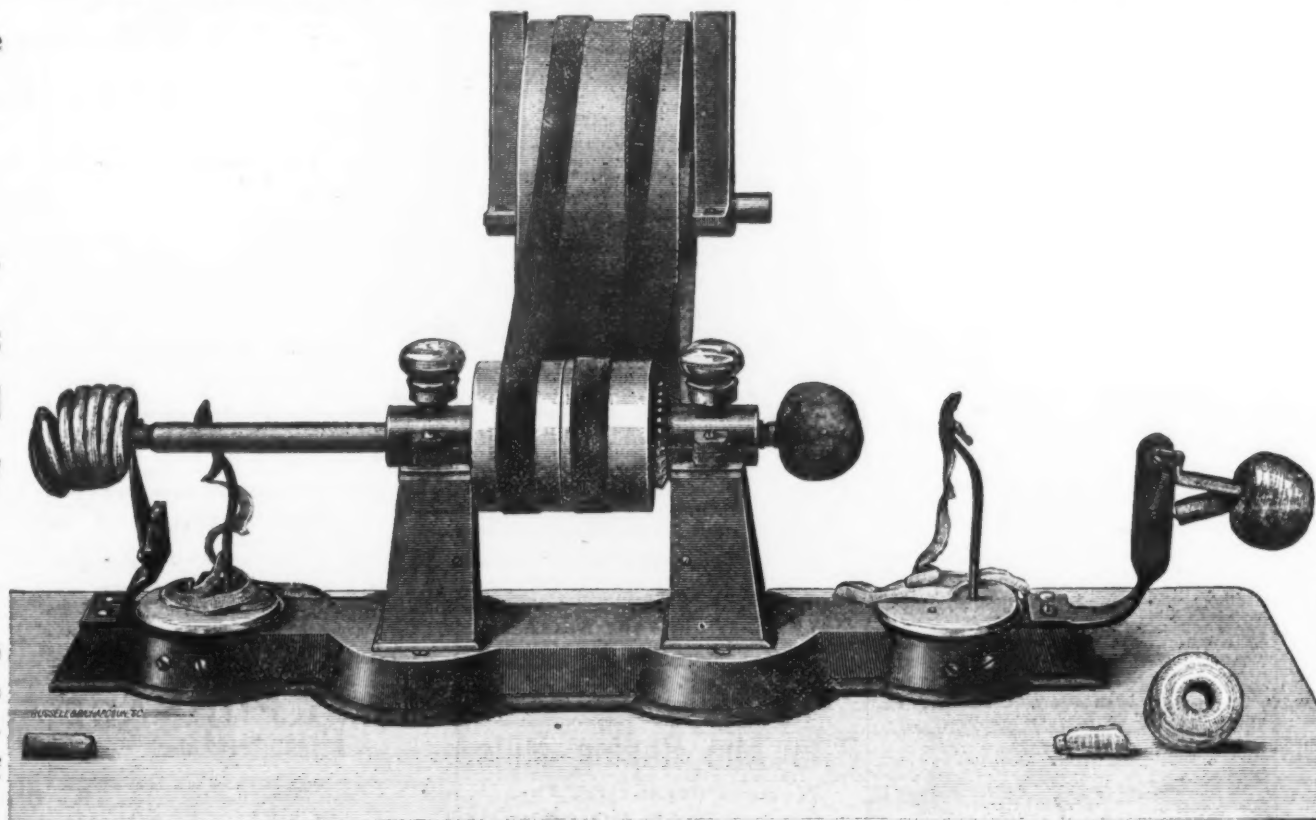
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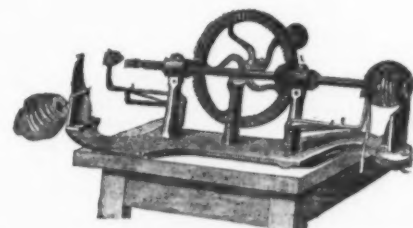


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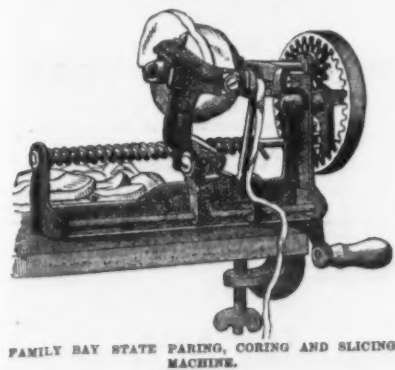
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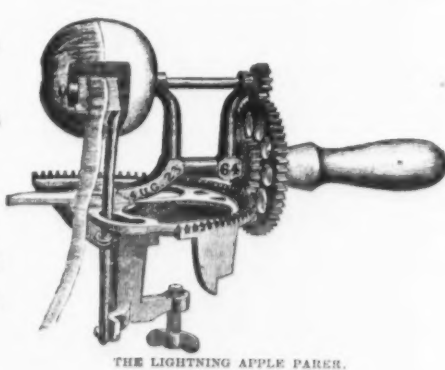
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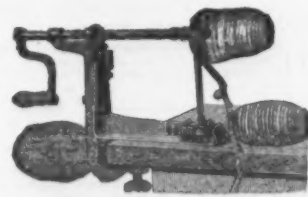
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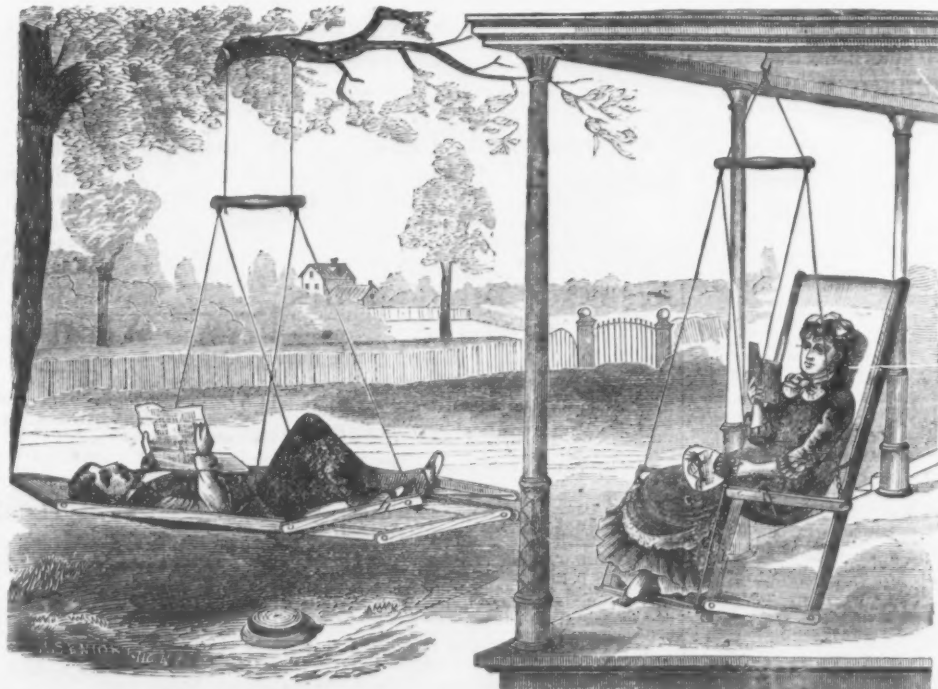
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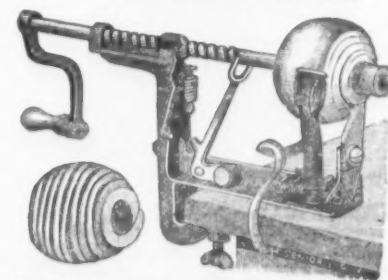
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This is the only Machine ever made that will not only pare a potato much better than can be done by hand, taking off a thinner paring from every kind or shape of potato, but will go into and clean out the eyes. Almost any of the Potato Parers in the market seem as if they might do the work better next time, but the "White Mountain" does it now.



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This is the simplest, strongest and best Paring Machine ever made for family use. When in operation it don't knock the pared apple in the dirt, or rattle like hail on a tin roof, yet it does all the work automatically—smooth and steady is the word—and all that is necessary is to put the apple on the fork, turn the crank, and the apple is pared, the core taken out—leaving the fruit all sliced in just the nicest shape you ever saw. NO LOSS! NO WASTE! But everything neat as a new pin. Why, even the core is taken off automatically, saving time, labor, and apple.

Trade Report.

BRITISH IRON AND METAL MARKETS.

[Special Cable Dispatch to The Iron Age.]

LONDON, WEDNESDAY, July 5, 1882.

Scotch Pig.—Prices have fluctuated in both directions during the week, but the market is now strong, and there is a large business doing. As compared with last week there has been an advance of 1/4 in Eglinton, 6d in Coltness and Carnbroe, and a fall of 6d in Summerlee. The following are to-day's prices for No. 1 brands:

Langloan, alongside, Glasgow.....	60/6
Coltness " " " " " " " " " "	62/
Gartsherrie " " " " " " " " " "	60/6
Summerlee " " " " " " " " " "	58/6
Carnbroe " " " " " " " " " "	53/6
Glenarmock " " " " " " " " " "	53/6
Eglinton " " " " " " " " " "	51/6

Lighterage from Ardrossan to Glasgow is 2/6 @ 5/6 per ton.

Cleveland Pig.—A large business has been done during the week under a brisk demand, and prices are firm. We quote as follows, f. o. b. shipping ports:

Middlesboro' No. 1 Foundry.....	47/6
" " " " " " " " " " " "	45/6
" " " " " " " " " " " "	43/6
" " " " " " " " " " " "	43/6

Bessemer Pig.—During the week prices have advanced, and the market closes strong with a good business doing. Mixtures of equal parts Nos. 1, 2 and 3 W. C. Hematites, are quoted 55/ @ 56/6.

Blooms.—The market is flat and there is practically no business doing. We quote, nominally, Bessemer, 7' x 7', £4. 12/6 @ £4. 15/.

Manufactured Iron.—The demand has improved, and the market is active and prices are firm. We quote as follows:

Staff. Ord. Marked Bars.....	7 0 0 @ 7 10 0
" " " " " " " " " " " "	7 0 0 @ 7 10 0
" " " " " " " " " " " "	6 10 0 @ 6 15 0

Hoops, 20 W.G. & over.

" Common Best.....	8 0 0 @ 8 10 0
" " " " " " " " " " " "	7 0 0 @ 7 5 0
" " " " " " " " " " " "	6 10 0 @ 6 15 0

Sheets, 20 W.G. & under.

" Ordinary Best.....	8 10 0 @ 9 0 0
" " " " " " " " " " " "	8 0 0 @ 8 10 0
" " " " " " " " " " " "	7 6 0 @ 7 10 0

Steel Rails.—There is a noticeable improvement in the inquiry for Steel Rails, though actual transactions have been small. Ordinary sections are quoted, nominally, £5 @ £5. 10/ f. o. b. shipping ports.

Iron Rails.—There is very little inquiry or business to report. Quotations are nominal. Welsh are quoted, 30 pounds and upward, £5. 5/ f. o. b. shipping ports.

Old Rails.—The market is dull, with few offerings and no sales. Old Tees are quoted £3. 15/ @ £3. 17/6, and Old D. H.'s, £4. 2/6 @ £4. 5/ f. o. b. New York.

Scrap.—There is no change to report, the market ruling quiet, with small offerings. Heavy Wrought is quoted £3. 12/6, @ £3. 15/ f. o. b. New York. Bessemer Scrap Ends, run of the mill, are quoted 60/ f. o. b. shipping port.

Copper.—The market is quiet, with moderate inquiry and small business. Prices are steady. Best Selected is quoted £72 @ £72. 10/ and Chili Bars, £66 15/ @ £67.

Tin.—The market continues quiet, and prices still tend upward. Transactions are fair. We quote: Straits Tin, spot, £99. 15/ @ £100, and futures, £100 @ £100. 15/.

Tin Plates.—The demand continues good and prices are firm. We quote as follows:

Tin Plates, 10 x 14, 1st qual. Charcoal.....	24/ @ 24/
" " " " " " " " " " " "	19/ @ 19/
" " " " " " " " " " " "	15/ @ 15/

Spelter.—The demand remains light and prices have dropped a little. We quote Ordinary, at shipping port, £16. 12/6 @ £16. 17/6.

Lead.—There is no change to note. The market continues quiet with light demand. English Common Pig is quoted £14. 5/ @ £14. 7/6.

Freights.—Steam from Glasgow to New York, 10/; ditto from Liverpool to New York, 10/ @ 12/6; Liverpool to Philadelphia, 14/ @ 16/6.

FINANCIAL.

CHIEF OF THE IRON AGE.
WEDNESDAY EVENING, July 5, 1882.

The week under review has been without any exciting event in trade circles. As natural to the season, the markets have relaxed into dullness, especially under the influence of holiday leisure. The stimulating effect of the large disbursements of money from the public treasury and on dividend account is as yet hardly appreciable. The former amounts to more than \$21,000,000, including \$11,000,000 in matured bonds, and it is calculated that, taking into the account semi-annual interest and dividends, the aggregate sum released July 1 for reinvestment exceeds \$60,000,000.

To-day's steamers took no specie, and the present dullness of the market for foreign exchange indicates no early date for a resumption of specie shipments. To-day the rates were again reduced, the leading drawers putting their posted rates for demand bills down to 4.88 1/2, with actual rates at 4.84 1/2 @ 1/4 for 60 days and 4.87 1/2 @ 1/4 for demand.

Money is easy on call at 3 @ 3 1/2 %, and the market for commercial paper is good,

particularly for first-class names. We quote 60 to 90 days indorsed bills receivable, 4 1/2 %; Four months acceptances, 4 1/2 @ 5 1/4; four to six months single names, 5 1/2 @ 6 1/2.

On the Stock Exchange during the week under review the market has been dull, but prices were generally firm. Toward the close some disturbance was caused by the calling in of loans preparatory to the July disbursements, which tended to unsettle the money market, but the temporary squeeze had no more than a transient effect. The first rumors of the lamentable accident near Long Branch caused a decline in New Jersey Central, but the recovery was immediate. On Saturday it was announced that General Palmer had negotiated in London \$10,000,000 of Mexican National first mortgage bonds, which would provide funds for the completion of the railroad from Laredo to the City of Mexico, of course, having its influence in the rate of foreign exchange. On Monday the unfavorable semi-annual reports of the Lake Shore and the Michigan Central roads had a slightly depressing effect. To-day dullness continued, but with a strong undertone, due to the ease in money and favorable crop reports. Another Treasury call, within a few days, for \$15,000,000 extended 6's is spoken of. Taking the week through, there is recorded an advance in prices ranging from the smaller fractions to 2 @ 2 1/4 % in exceptional instances, the latter Northwesters. The stocks at all active to-day were: Louisville and Nashville, 67 1/2 @ 68 1/4; Lake Shore, 109 1/4 @ 108 1/4; Jersey Central, 77 1/2 @ 75 1/4; Denver and Rio Grande, 56 1/2 @ 55 1/2; Western Union Telegraph, 85 1/2 @ 84 1/2; Texas and Pacific, 44 1/2 @ 43 1/2; Kansas and Texas, 34 1/2 @ 33 1/2; Reading, 57 1/2 @ 56 1/2; Northern Pacific, 41 1/4 @ 40 1/4; ditto preferred, 78 1/2 @ 79 1/2; and Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, 127 1/4 @ 128. Delaware, Lackawanna and Western was this afternoon quoted ex-dividend of 2 %.

The freight handlers' strike is apparently near a collapse, as most of the railroads have reduced the accommodations in their freight houses, and the newly engaged laborers are becoming accustomed to their work. This difficulty settled, the transportation companies will anticipate a more profitable business, from the increased movement of tonnage on an advanced schedule of freight charges, which went into effect July 1st. The promise of a bountiful harvest is fully borne out by the latest accounts.

The exports of domestic produce from this port during the past week were unusually light, the total being \$4,940,319, against \$7,059,549 same week last year. The shipments of petroleum, provisions, breadstuffs and cotton were all below the usual average. Since January 1 the total is \$158,555,097, against \$192,613,986 for the corresponding period of 1881. The first bale of new cotton is en route from Texas.

The Senate this afternoon voted to postpone till December next the consideration of a national bankruptcy law.

Government bonds at the close were quoted as follows:

U. S. 6's, '81, continued at 1/2.....	100 1/2
U. S. 5's, '81, continued at 1/2.....	101 1/2
U. S. 4's '81 registered.....	114
U. S. 4's '81 coupon.....	114 1/2
U. S. 4's '81 coupon.....	114 1/2
U. S. 1897 coupon.....	118 1/2
U. S. Currency 6's 1895.....	120
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State stocks through the week have been firm, but dull. The only sale to-day was \$3000 Alabama, Class C, at 84.

The following is an analysis of the bank totals of this week compared with that of last week:

	June 24.	July 1. Comparisons.
Loans.....	\$318,716,800	\$324,854,300 Inc. \$6,137,500
Specie.....	58,957,600	56,124,500 Dec. 2,833,100
Legal t'drs.....	26,346,400	25,048,300 Dec. 898,100
Dis. reser.	85,594,000	81,773,300 Dec. 3,820,700
Deposits.....	304,491,000	305,369,100 Inc. 878,100
Reserve.....	76,122,750	76,342,375 Inc. 219,625
Surplus.....	9,384,250	9,411,025 Inc. 26,775
Circulation.....	18,598,800	18,486,900 Dec. 111,900

The bank return for the week shows a loss of \$3,950,225 in surplus reserve, which now stands at \$5,431,025 above, against \$6,911,300 above at this time last year, and \$16,083,625 for the corresponding date in 1880.

The importations of specie and bullion at this port during the week ending June 30th were \$31,847, consisting of \$21,514 in gold, and \$10,333 in silver, as against a total of \$78,795 for the week ending July 2d last year. The importations since the 1st of January and since the 1st of August compare as follows with the movement during the corresponding periods last year:

	Since January 1, 1882.	1881.
Gold.....	\$590,040	\$28,106,386
Silver.....	1,359,466	1,579,437
Total.....	\$1,949,506	\$29,685,823
	Since August 1, 1881-82.	1880-81.
Gold.....	\$25,136,326	\$96,475,354
Silver.....	2,305,041	4,043,788
Total.....	\$27,441,367	\$100,519,142

The following were the closing quotations for mining stocks:

	Bid.	Asked.
American Flag.....	4	
Amur.....	20	21
Altos.....	2.50	
Alta Mont.....	70	
Belle Isle.....	67	
Bodie.....	5	
Buckeye.....	3	
Buller.....	1.75	1.95
Basinick.....	10	15
Bull Dom.....	10	15
Boston C.....	19	20
Big Pittsburgh.....	50	
Bradshaw.....	5	
Calaveras.....	11	
Cale. B. H.....	50	60
Consolidated Imperial.....	3	5
Consolidated Pacific.....	30	30

Consolidated Virginia.....	50
Chrysolite.....	3.50
Cent. Ariz.....	80
Cherokee.....	30
Dahlgren.....	30
Durango.....	3
Decatur.....	1.10
Empire Utah.....	1.75
Eureka C.....	15
F. De Smet.....	10
Great Eastern.....	4
Green Mountain.....	2.25
Gold Str.....	47
Hunkle.....	15
Horn Silver.....	10 1/2
Hibernia.....	10
Hortense.....	16
Independence.....	33
Iron Silver.....	1.95
Lacrosse.....	14
Leadville Con.....	65
Little Pitts.....	75
L. Chief.....	1.50
Mexican.....	6 1/2
Moose.....	20
Miner Boy.....	5
Navajo.....	4.25
N. Belle Isle.....	10
N. Belle.....	35
Orl. and Mil.....	35
Rappah'k.....	17
Robinson Con.....	1.05
R. Sun.....	10
Red Elephant.....	75
Standard.....	80
S. Cliff.....	68
Spr'g Val.....	38
Stormont.....	4.00
S. Hite, new.....	13
South Pacific.....	8
St. L. 1 and 2.....	9
St. L. 2 and 3.....	27
Tip Top.....	8.50
Tioga.....	18
Tuscarora.....	18
Unadilla.....	8
Vizima.....	1.00

GENERAL HARDWARE.

Although the month of July is generally looked upon as the proper time for the announcement of changes in lists and discounts for the fall season, the developments so far point to the continuance of the prices of last spring; in fact, the only changes of importance announced during the week are an advance in the price of Clothes Wringers, the particulars of which will be found below; and a break in the price of Copper Rivets and Burs, quotations of which are for the moment nominal. The outlook for fall business is considered highly encouraging, and, as stocks of Builders' Hardware and Mechanics' Tools in first hands are unusually light for this season, it is believed by many well-informed people in the trade that the demand during the last half of the year will be in excess of the supply.

At a meeting of the manufacturers of Wood Screws, held in Providence, R. I., on the 25th ultimo, it was decided to make no changes in prices or terms.

The demand for Nails is not active, although we hear of some inquiry for large parcels, principally on Western account. The tone of the market continues strong, and stocks are said to be light, and in some instances, badly assorted. We quote rod to 60d., \$3.40 per keg, net, but in a small way an advance of 10¢ per keg is asked.

We print below a circular of the Clothes Wringer Manufacturers' Association, issued under date of the 1st inst., also the revised price list of Bailey Wringing Machine Co., of same date; the revised prices for the Metropolitan Mfg. Co.'s "Universal" Clothes Wringers will be found under the heading of New York Wholesale Prices on another page.

JULY 1, 1882.

To the Jobbing Trade: An advance of \$3 per dozen on Clothes Wringers has been ordered by the president of the Clothes Wringer Manufacturers' Association, to take effect immediately, and all shipments on and after this date will have to be made at the advanced price. Owing to the continued high price of Rubber and the increased cost of other material, and of labor, it was not possible to deliver the goods at the prices at which they have been sold and make a fair profit. Jobbers who deal in "Contraband Wringers," which infringe patents owned by ourselves or our licensees, will not be furnished with regular goods.

LICENSED MANUFACTURERS.

METROPOLITAN MFG. CO.
BAILEY WRINGING MACHINE CO.
SIMMONS & GAULT MFG. CO.
EUREKA CLOTHES WRINGING MACHINE CO.

TRADE PRICE LIST OF NOVELTY AND EXCELSIOR CLOTHES WRINGERS, FOLDING WASH BENCHES AND IRONING MANGLES.

All these Wringers have patent flange cog-wheels on both ends of the rolls.

Novelty Wringers, with Curved Clamp.

	Size of Roll.	Length Inches.	Width Inches.	Retail Price.	Wholesale Price Per Doz.
No. 1.....	10	12 1/2	5	\$5.00	\$45.00
No. 2.....	11	13 1/2	5	5.50	49.50
No. 3.....	12	14 1/2	5	6.00	54.00
No. 4.....	13	15 1/2	5	6.50	58.50
No. 5.....	14	16 1/2	5	7.00	63.00
No. 6.....	15	17 1/2	5	7.50	67.50
No. 7.....	16	18 1/2	5	8.00	72.00
No. 8.....	17	19 1/2	5	8.50	76.50
No. 9.....	18	20 1/2	5	9.00	81.00
No. 10.....	19	21 1/2	5	9.50	85.50

Novelty Wringers with Straight Clamp.

No. 1.....	10	12 1/2	5	5.00	45.00
No. 2.....	11	13 1/2	5	5.50	49.50
No. 3.....	12	14 1/2	5	6.00	54.00
No. 4.....	13	15 1/2	5	6.50	58.50
No. 5.....	14	16 1/2	5	7.00	63.00
No. 6.....	15	17 1/2	5	7.50	67.50
No. 7.....	16	18 1/2	5	8.00	72.00
No. 8.....	17	19 1/2	5	8.50	76.50
No. 9.....	18	20 1/2	5	9.00	81.00
No. 10.....	19	21 1/2	5	9.50	85.50

Excelsior Wringers with Folding Bench.

No. A.....	10	12 1/2	5	7.00	63.00
No. B.....	11	13 1/2	5	7.50	67.50
No. C.....	12	14 1/2	5	8.00	72.00
No. D.....	13	15 1/2	5	8.50	76.50
No. E.....	14	16 1/2	5	9.00	81.00
No. F.....	15	17 1/2	5	9.50	85.50
No. G.....	16	18 1/2	5	10.00	90.00
No. H.....	17	19 1/2	5	10.50	94.50
No. I.....	18	20 1/2	5	11.00	99.00
No. J.....	19	21 1/2	5	11.50	103.50

Folding Wash Benches, \$12 per doz., and Domestic Mangles, \$7.50 each for No. 1, and \$11.50 each for No. 2.

Terms.—30 days, net. Orders subject to establish prices ruling at time of shipment, and prices subject to change without notice.

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DELIVERY.—Freight allowed to the leading jobbing points not beyond St. Louis and Chicago.

No charge for boxing or cartage.

July 1st, 1882.

We have received the following circular:

New York, July 1st, 1882.

To the Trade: Existing prices for our Wrenches having been confirmed, we continue to quote Coe's "Genuine" at 4¢ and 10¢ per cent. discount from list. "Mechanics" Wrenches made by L. Coes & Co., and similar quality by A. G. Coes & Co., will continue to rate at 10¢ per cent. less than the "Genuine."

CONFIDENTIAL.

A special discount of 10 per cent. will be allowed on specified orders for 50 dozen, for immediate shipment. Terms, 90 days, or 3 per cent. discount for cash in 10 days. Parties having purchased the quantity will be entitled to the extra discount on subsequent orders during balance of season ending December 31st, 1882. Above quantity must be taken from either one or the other manufacturer, and includes only the Coes "Genuine" pattern, and not the "Mechanics" made by L. Coes & Co., or a similar quality made by A. G. Coes & Co., the price of either being 10 per cent. less than the "Genuine," and are subject to same quantity schedule.

DURRIS & McCARTY,

Agents for L. Coes & Co.

GRAHAM & HAINES,

Agents for A. G. Coes & Co.

W. Dodman and T. P. Burke have formed a copartnership as manufacturers' representatives, and have established themselves at No. 88 Chambers street. We have received a circular, addressed to the wholesale and export trade, under date of the 6th instant, signed by Yerkes & Plumb, Philadelphia; Plumb, Burdick & Barnard, Buffalo; Lehigh Mfg. Co., Bethlehem, Penn.; McKinney Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh, Penn.; Waterbury Knife Co., Waterbury, Conn.; Smith Bros' Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill.; the Cincinnati Barbed Fence Wire Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, and Sidney Shepard & Co., Buffalo, N. Y., in which they say: "We have engaged Messrs. Dodman & Burke, No. 88 Chambers street, New York, as our representatives, and they will be prepared at all times to give you our very lowest figures." On Page 21 illustrations of some of the specialties manufactured by Smith Bros' Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill., will be found, and to which we invite the attention of the trade.

The following circular explains itself:

PAWTUCKET, R. I., July 1, 1882.

DEAR SIR: The firm of William H. Haskell & Co. has been incorporated under the name and style of William H. Haskell Co., under which the business so long carried on by the first-named will hereafter be conducted under the same management. All orders received from old or new customers will be filled promptly and satisfactorily. Thanking you for your kind patronage in the past, we would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same in the future. Respectfully yours, WM. H. HASKELL CO.

Their New York agency will continue as formerly in charge of Henry B. Newhall, No. 105 Chambers street, and their Boston agency in charge of James H. Work, Nos. 13 and 15 Pearl street.

The Standard Mfg. Co., Boston, Mass., illustrate in their advertisement on page 39 a new Self-Basting Broiler to which we invite attention.

We have received the following circular:

FOREIGN TRADE MOVEMENTS.

The following is a summary of foreign trade movements during the past week:

For the week ending June 30:

1880	1881	1882
Total.....	\$4,188,199	\$7,676,266
Prev. reported	\$4,300,685	\$6,900,468
Since Jan. 1...	\$57,218,884	\$214,576,734

Included in the imports were articles of merchandise valued as follows:

Quantity	Value
Antimony.....	59 23.157
Arms.....	159 1,052
Brass goods.....	27 3,476
Iron ore.....	11 918
Chains and anchors.....	44 1,108
Clocks.....	35 3,600
Copper.....	2,992 37,927
Cutlery.....	127 1,274
Gas fixtures.....	3 1,274
Guns.....	107 36,892
Hardware.....	41 1,004
Iron, hoop, tons.....	1 34
Iron, pig, tons.....	9,018 172,648
Iron, sheet, tons.....	72 5,387
Iron ore, tons.....	1,437 3,520
Iron, other, tons.....	3,270 116,224
Machinery.....	4-3 10,640
Metal goods.....	109 15,562
Nails.....	1 390
Needles.....	13 3,573
Nickel.....	18 5,100
Old metal.....	5,217 5,217
Platina.....	1 5,238
Plated ware.....	1 20
Percussion caps.....	27 5,528
Quicksilver.....	100 3,844
Saddlery.....	38 830,272
Steel.....	63,328 1,071,148
Spelter.....	4,388 110,455
Silverware.....	32 24,410
Tin, bars.....	28 24,410
Tin, slabs, 457 1/2 lbs.....	36,708 774,183
Wire.....	454,071 7,923,373
Zinc, lbs.....	152 8,843
	117,287 5,308

The quantity of leading articles compares with previous dates as follows:

For the week	1880	1881	1882
Cutlery, pkgs.....	127	3,601	3,538
Hardware, pkgs.....	41	74,300	176,848
Iron, R. R. bars.....	1	10,544	18,003
Lead, pkgs.....	63,328	1,071,148	485,008
Steel, pkgs.....	36,708	1,071,148	774,183
Tin, boxes, lbs.....	454,071	7,923,373	7,923,373

For the week ended June 30:

Total.....	\$1,647,597
Previously reported.....	\$4,343,437
Total since January 1, 1882.....	\$5,991,034
Same time in 1881.....	\$6,061,691
Same time in 1880.....	\$4,651,854
Same time in 1879.....	\$1,211,726
Same time in 1878.....	\$2,061,726
Same time in 1877.....	\$3,164,052
Same time in 1876.....	\$5,994,392
Same time in 1875.....	\$2,045,518
Same time in 1874.....	\$2,099,318
Same time in 1873.....	\$2,099,318
Same time in 1872.....	\$2,099,318

For the week ending July 3:

1880	1881	1882
Total.....	\$4,447,246	\$7,059,549
Prev. reported.....	\$4,720,660	\$5,514,409
Since Jan. 1...	\$59,167,006	\$185,938,958

EXPORTS

Of Hardware, Iron, Machinery, Metals, &c., from the Port of New York, for the Week ending July 4, 1882:

Quantity	Value
Cartridges, cs.....	36 260
Trucks.....	36 260
Revolvers, cs.....	2 250
Shoe nails, cs.....	5 31
Anchor, cs.....	6 130
Nails, kegs.....	23 70
Clocks, pkgs.....	16 841
Turn tables.....	2 2,900
Copper girders.....	8 2,100
Bridge sheet.....	1 10
Iron, pkgs.....	141 101
Carbines, cs.....	8 85
Firearms, cs.....	54 15,380
Belts.....	1 84
Spikes, kegs.....	50 175

Dutch East Indies.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	750,040 81,159

Hamburg.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	466,080 36,653
Mach'y, pkgs.....	22 1,220
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	4 265
Clocks, pkgs.....	2 216
Sew. ma, cs.....	108 21,121
Hdw, pkgs.....	26 1,314
Cutlery, cs.....	1 30
Lgt rod fix, cs.....	4 130

Antwerp.

Quantity	Value
Naph, gals.....	130,626 9,076
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	4 265
Mach'y, pkgs.....	5 100
Hdw, pkgs.....	5 240

Abo.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	99,301 8,500

Stockholm.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	150,000 12,000

Bremen.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	900,300 65,300
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	23 795
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	1 40
Mach'y, pkgs.....	1 31
Hdw, cs.....	2 28
Emry whis, cs.....	1 206

Amsterdam.

Quantity	Value
Hdw, pkgs.....	50 2,544
Clocks, bxs.....	8 25
Pumps, pkgs.....	6 287

Stettin.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	137,863 10,000

Copenhagen.

Quantity	Value
Hdw, pkgs.....	6 420
Pumps, pkgs.....	10 400

Glasgow.

Quantity	Value
Arms, cs.....	3 295
Hdw, cs.....	1 67
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	27 540
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	3 139
Clocks, pkgs.....	98 2,300

Liverpool.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	55,750 4,757
Clocks, pkgs.....	46 929
Mach'y, pkgs.....	18 540
Hdw, cs.....	21 717
Brass, pkgs.....	295 27,000
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	15 400
Nails, bxs.....	240 1,000

Hull.

Quantity	Value
Pumps, pkgs.....	8 221
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	24 600
Hdw, cs.....	60 1,213
Clocks, bxs.....	146 2,307
Spring, cs.....	1 131
Mach'y, pkgs.....	15 3,150

French West Indies.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	3,000 345

Ouba.

Quantity	Value
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	13 240
Sew. ma, cs.....	306 3,016
T. hoop, bds.....	6 250
Elect. app, pkgs.....	31 6,000
Guns, cs.....	8 950
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	1,719 1,719
Hdw, pkgs.....	245 4,537
Stumpwre, cs.....	32 1,621
Sew. ma, cs.....	101 4,404

Haere.

Quantity	Value
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	3 600
Copper, cs.....	90 20,250
Sew. ma, cs.....	10 583
Mach'y, cs.....	13 300

Palma.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	450,300 38,149

Jeddah (Arabia).

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	450,000 49,937

New Zealand.

Quantity	Value
Mach'y, cs.....	141 2,700
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	251 4,049
Nails, cs.....	0 605
Elect. app, pkgs.....	81 1,815
Stumpwre, cs.....	7 285
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	89 1,474
Sew. ma, cs.....	50 805
Ptms, gals.....	28,800 2,950

Tasmania.

Quantity	Value
Hdw, pkgs.....	86 2,641
Pumps, pkgs.....	30 260
Nails, kegs.....	39 260
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	39 260
Ptms, gals.....	28,800 3,461
Saws, cs.....	5 340

British North America.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	8,200 940
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	92 784
Mach'y, pkgs.....	8 200
Hdw, pkgs.....	12 557
Clocks, pkgs.....	2 100

British West Indies.

Quantity	Value
Hdw, pkgs.....	76 1,213
Mach'y, pkgs.....	10 310
Nails, kegs.....	63 291
Pumps, pkgs.....	2 32
Ptms, gals.....	15,060 1,819
Boiler.....	1 200
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	20 310
Windmill.....	1 120
Revolvers, cs.....	3 807
Clocks, pkgs.....	39 612
Cartridges, cs.....	3 50
Sew. ma, cs.....	18 305
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	5 49
Nails, cs.....	4 25

China.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	407,000 47,718

Philippine Islands.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	341,600 39,166
Scales, cs.....	2 132

Mexico.

Quantity	Value
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	109 3,203
Ptms, gals.....	20,200 3,350
R. cars.....	26 8,773
Hdw, pkgs.....	534 11,503
Mach'y, pkgs.....	118 6,166
Mf. steel, pkgs.....	65 551
Y. metal, pkgs.....	4 498
Locomotive parts, cs.....	3 297
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	47 916
Pumps, pkgs.....	13 334

COAL.

With July 1st the prices of Anthracite Coal are advanced from 10¢ to 15¢ on most descriptions, the principal changes being on Grate and Egg. The Pennsylvania Company will delay its advance of 10¢ on Furnace Lump until the 15th inst. The advance in wages takes place simultaneously at the mines, and it is understood that 6¢ of the advance in Coal is on account of increased wages. A good fair business is in progress, apparently satisfactory in volume for this season of the year, and the prices realized are reported to be nearly or quite up to the circular rates. Coal is moving off at a rate that prevents accumulation to any extent, so that stocks usually are light. At the same time, it is remarked among leading minds in the trade that a suspension of labor at half

EXPORTS

Of Hardware, Iron, Machinery, Metals, &c., from the Port of New York, for the Week ending July 4, 1882:

Quantity	Value
Cartridges, cs.....	36 260
Trucks.....	36 260
Revolvers, cs.....	2 250
Shoe nails, cs.....	5 31
Anchor, cs.....	6 130
Nails, kegs.....	23 70
Clocks, pkgs.....	16 841
Turn tables.....	2 2,900
Copper girders.....	8 2,100
Bridge sheet.....	1 10
Iron, pkgs.....	141 101
Carbines, cs.....	8 85
Firearms, cs.....	54 15,380
Belts.....	1 84
Spikes, kegs.....	50 175

Dutch East Indies.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	750,040 81,159

Hamburg.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	466,080 36,653
Mach'y, pkgs.....	22 1,220
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	4 265
Clocks, pkgs.....	2 216
Sew. ma, cs.....	108 21,121
Hdw, pkgs.....	26 1,314
Cutlery, cs.....	1 30
Lgt rod fix, cs.....	4 130

Antwerp.

Quantity	Value
Naph, gals.....	130,626 9,076
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	4 265
Mach'y, pkgs.....	5 100
Hdw, pkgs.....	5 240

Abo.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	99,301 8,500

Stockholm.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	150,000 12,000

Bremen.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	900,300 65,300
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	23 795
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	1 40
Mach'y, pkgs.....	1 31
Hdw, cs.....	2 28
Emry whis, cs.....	1 206

Amsterdam.

Quantity	Value
Hdw, pkgs.....	50 2,544
Clocks, bxs.....	8 25
Pumps, pkgs.....	6 287

Stettin.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	137,863 10,000

Copenhagen.

Quantity	Value
Hdw, pkgs.....	6 420
Pumps, pkgs.....	10 400

Glasgow.

Quantity	Value
Arms, cs.....	3 295
Hdw, cs.....	1 67
Mf. iron, pkgs.....	27 540
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	3 139
Clocks, pkgs.....	98 2,300

Liverpool.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	55,750 4,757
Clocks, pkgs.....	46 929
Mach'y, pkgs.....	18 540
Hdw, cs.....	21 717
Brass, pkgs.....	295 27,000
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	15 400
Nails, bxs.....	240 1,000

Hull.

Quantity	Value
Pumps, pkgs.....	8 221
Ag. imp, pkgs.....	24 600
Hdw, cs.....	60 1,213
Clocks, bxs.....	146 2,307
Spring, cs.....	1 131
Mach'y, pkgs.....	15 3,150

French West Indies.

Quantity	Value
Ptms, gals.....	3,000 345

Ouba.

Ag. imp., pkgs.	13	240
Sew. ma., cs.	306	3,616
T. hoops, bdls	6	250
Hdw., pkgs...	1,719	3,736
Nails, cs.	245	616

Luxembourg-Lorraine Pig Iron syndicate has reduced its price from 250 francs to 26. There has been no abatement in the firm feeling with which Spiegel, Dortmund Foundry and Bessemer Pig are held. The hope is expressed that Merchant Iron will begin to look up next month, and that rolling mills will then be able to do better. An urgent demand is still noticeable for beams and coarse sheets, but this is not the case with other kinds of finished iron and drawn wire. Thin sheets still find it difficult to recover from a low ruling, although a few Silesian works made a faint effort to screw up prices a trifle. Thus previously Thin Sheets brought, most of the time, more than Boiler Sheets, selling at 210 @ 215; but for the moment they have to be sold for 170 @ 175. For the Frankfurt railroad and for Denmark, some 13,000 tons iron sleepers and Steel Rails are now wanted, but English makers compete vigorously with ours in Steel Rails for the latter country. The Steel works have, for the present, not many new orders in prospect; they miss very much the at one time so important American ones. As for bolt and screw makers, and hardware manufacturers generally, they are still getting on swimmingly. This refers with equal force to car-making establishments and axle and car-wheel shops, as well as to boiler makers. The export demand for tools is exceptionally brisk. On the other hand, both machine shops and foundries might be busier. Bridge builders cannot boast of important commands. Coal—Coal contracts are made earlier this year than is usually the case, and the advance asked by producers is willingly granted in view of the prosperous crop time that seems to be drawing near. Ooke still weak. Metals have been moderately active. Lead is steady; we quote English Fig. 16 @ 15.50 marks @ 50 kg.; ditto Sheets, 16.50 @ 17; German Fig. 14 @ 15, and Spanish 18 @ 14.50. Copper is quiet; Dronthout at 73; Electrolytic, 76 @ 77, and Refined Ingot (English), 73 @ 74. Tin remains steady at 108 @ 109 for Banca and English Refined, and 106 @ 107 for ditto Common. Silver is inactive at 73.25 @ 73.50 for Silesian, spot and to arrive.

CHILI.

(Weber & Co.)

VALPARAISO, April 28, 1882.—Copper.—Lower cable quotations from England did not fail to exercise a depressing influence on our prices. Sales 6,550 quintals at \$17.50 @ \$18.15, and of 12,000 quintals Regulus at \$18.50, on board at Caldera. Nitrate.—The decline abroad has not lowered the price here. Holders, still engaged in filling former contracts, not forcing any on the market. Sales have been confined to 2,320 quintals at \$1.75 @ \$2.30, with 40 @ 45 freight. The demand for the United States has materially diminished, it being evident that shipments thither have of late been altogether too heavy; thus charters have not exceeded 14,000 tons, all for Europe. Coal does not improve. Orrell steam, having been sold at 27. Newcastle steam at 28, and smelting at 26 @ 27. Exchange dull at 15 1/4.

Mr. A. Hartuppe on the Pittsburgh Pumping Engines.

The following letter has been received by the Pittsburgh Select Council:

To the City Councils.—GENTLEMEN: On the 7th day of February, 1879, the officers of the city took possession of the engines and pumping machinery erected by me for the new water works. One of the engines—No. 4—was disabled in the spring of 1880, and is still unrepaired; no one of the engines is now in perfect working order, and the city is on short allowance of water and in constant danger of a complete famine. Believing that the engines and machinery are capable of supplying the city with water, that all the difficulties heretofore encountered have arisen from improper management and certain minor defects, which can be readily remedied; that the materials are amply sufficient for the work required, and that no part of the work made by me has been broken for want of strength or bad workmanship; with a view to secure a certain supply of water, and also to secure a settlement of any claims against the city, I submit the following proposition, viz.: That the valve chambers now broken be replaced with new ones upon the plan of those made at the Atlas Works; that new valves be put in all the chambers of a plan to be designated by me, at a cost not exceeding \$4000. All other parts of the machinery now broken to be replaced with new and perfect parts, these repairs to be made under contract, to be made by the city and to be paid by the city, and to be made as soon as possible. The engines put under my control and to be run by me for one year from the date of the completion of said repairs. The engineers and other employees to be recommended by me, the number to be employed and the salaries to be fixed by agreement. I will agree after the engines are put in order to keep the city supplied with water sufficient for its demands, at my own expense to replace all parts of the machinery which may be broken in running, the city to bear the running expenses, and at the end of the time to deliver the engines and machinery over to the city in good working order. That is, I will guarantee to run the machinery and pump water into the Hilland avenue reservoir without breakage except by reason of accident outside of the machinery itself. If I succeed in running the engines successfully and deliver the machinery to the city at the end of the time in good working order, the city to pay me the amount awarded me by the arbitrators with interest from the date of award, or if they prefer to pay the balance due upon the contract, and such an amount for extra work as may be fixed by three engineers, one to be selected by me, one by the city, and a third by these two, both amounts to bear interest from the time possession was taken by the city, except 10 per cent., upon which interest shall be calculated for one year from that date. If I fail to turn the engines over to the city in good working order at the end of the term, I will release all claims against the city, provided, if any breakage should occur near the end of said term, I shall be allowed a reasonable time after its expiration for making such repair, if necessary. If any question shall arise under the contract, the same to be submitted to three arbitrators, to be chosen as above stated. I further propose to take charge of the boilers, to make certain alterations, at a cost not exceeding \$3000, and if such changes are made, I will agree to accept instead of a salary, the difference in cost of coal and labor of any two months' running, the boilers to be estimated before and the same time after possession is taken by me. Respectfully,
A. HARTUPPE.

June 26, 1882.
P. S.—The foregoing proposition is made as an offer of compromise, and not to prejudice any claim which I may have against the city.
A. HARTUPPE.

The motive power for the trains passing through the St. Gothard Tunnel has been a subject of much investigation. The cable system, compressed air and electricity have

all been seriously considered and dismissed as likely to prove inadequate. It appears, therefore, that the ordinary steam locomotive will be used until improvements embodying strikingly apparent advantages are brought out. It is probable that with a good head of steam and a fire under full headway, without fresh coal, no serious difficulties will be encountered and the escape of any products of combustion will be inappreciable. So far the traffic has been light, and since there is a strong current of air through the tunnel from south to north, it is said that the atmosphere is not vitiated to any great extent. The interior of the tunnel is saturated with moisture which is taken up by the current of warm air from the south, which grows warmer during its passage. Striking the colder body of air at the north end of the tunnel, it loses its capacity for moisture, and the water in it is precipitated in the form of a quite thick mist, which always hangs about the northern entrance.

Business Failures Since January 1.

The Mercantile Agency of R. G. Dun & Co. send us the figures of failures for the first half of 1882. The total number of failures reported is 3597, as compared with 2862 for the first six months of 1881. The liabilities for the six months just closed are \$50,000,000, against \$40,000,000 for the corresponding period of last year. The percentage of increase, therefore, both in number and amount of failures, equals 25 per cent. In regard to these figures the circular of the agency remarks as follows: "Although the failures exhibit a considerable increase in number and amount, the figures reached are yet so proportionately limited that they furnish no real ground for apprehension. Judged by the comparisons which are possible with previous years, both in number of casualties and in the amount of liabilities, the figures indicate a soundness of trade in proportion to its extent which is in the main satisfactory. Thus, in 1878 the failures for the first half of the year were 5225, with liabilities of \$130,000,000, an increase of 25 per cent. over the year previous. For the first half of 1879 the failures were 4058, with liabilities of \$65,000,000. Subsequently, in 1880 and 1881, the failures fell to very moderate figures, viz.: 2497 and 2862, respectively, but this was because the storm had spent itself, and because trade had become restricted to very narrow limits; now, however, the figures for the past half of the present year amount to 3597."

The condition of trade as reflected by the failures that have occurred is commented on in the following manner: "In view of the enormous increase in transactions which the last 18 months have witnessed, the last prices which have been touched for almost every species of property, and, above all, the speculative excesses which prevailed toward the close of 1881, it is a marvelous revelation of the strength and stability of the trade of the country that so few failures, comparatively, have occurred. It must be borne in mind that the number engaged in business has greatly increased; our own records show that there were 730,000 persons in business in 1878, while in 1882 there are 869,000, an increase of 139,000. The proportionate number of failures in 1878 was 1 in every 72 traders, while in the present year, ending with June, the failures have not been more than 1 in every 128 traders. These statistics, therefore, judged by comparison with preceding years, indicate a condition of business so healthy as to create surprise that so much apprehension should be entertained as seems to have been prevalent of late. The losses by bad debts, in proportion to the value of business transacted, never were so small. The significance also of the failures that have occurred has been slight, as the rank and file of casualties are confined to the smaller class, regarding whom some specific cause for failure can almost always be assigned. Excessive competition prevails in certain localities, and the absence of capacity and adequate capital will always result in disaster, but that any general blight or want of favorable conditions exist surrounding the trading community, would seem to be entirely without foundation."

A Large Tank.—An important irrigation work, known as the "Ashtitank," has recently been completed in the Sholapore Collectorate, India. The proposed branch line to connect the Great Indian Peninsula Railway with the town of Pandharpeur, will pass through a portion of the tract to be irrigated by the tank. The principal works consist of an earthen dam 12,700 feet in length and 58 feet maximum height, thrown across the valley of the Ashti Nala, and forming a reservoir, or tank, which, when full, will have a surface area of rather more than four square miles, and a storage capacity of nearly 1,500,000,000 cubic feet. It is supplied from a catchment basin having an area of 92 square miles, the average annual rainfall being 24 inches. The escape of flood water, after the tank has filled, is provided for by a waste weir 800 feet in length, the crest of which is 12 feet vertically below the top of the dam. There are two canals under construction, starting at a level of 22 feet below the "full supply" level of the tank, one on each bank of the Ashti Nala. They are designed to have an aggregate length of 29 miles, and will command a total area of 25,270 acres of land. The entire cost of the scheme is 6 1/4 lacs of rupees, and it is estimated that the revenue from irrigation, when fully developed, will yield a return of about 4 per cent. on this outlay. The work may be regarded as a type of the general character of the many large and useful works undertaken for the purpose of relief in the Irrigation Department, and was one of the most important from its position, being situated in almost the center of the area affected by famine, and in the heart of a district in which the effects of the famine were first, and probably most severely, felt. It gave constant employment for almost the entire famine period to a large number of people, the average daily number being, from the commencement to the closure of the work, as a relief work, 9257. The maximum number on any one day was 17,179. Convict labor was also successfully employed on a large scale, and the average daily number of convicts employed on working days varied from 237 in 1878 to 774 in 1880.

Pure Iron.

"Pure iron" is a term often employed, but seldom used with a correct understanding. All merchantable iron contains more or less of other substances than metallic iron, and among them may be mentioned carbon, phosphorus, manganese, sulphur, titanium, &c., and generally some slag. In analytical work it is necessary for the chemist to have some standard upon which to base his calculations, and that generally accepted has been piano-forte wire. The following particulars concerning the purity of some of these irons, given in the Bulletin of the Iron and Steel Association, by Mr. J. B. Britton, may be of interest in this connection. Samples of piano-forte wire were obtained directly from leading instrument makers, and those of other kinds of wire and of bar iron were purchased from various dealers. The results were as follows: Nine piano-forte wires, cleaned with emery cloth, gave of pure iron:

98.71	98.39	98.80
98.21	99.48	99.10
99.00	99.01	98.30

A number of others gave corresponding amounts, with an average of 98.76. Nine fine annealed wires, equally well cleaned and free from rust, gave:

99.50	99.73	99.40
99.46	99.83	99.57
99.26	99.78	99.41

Other samples of the same kind of wire, all of excellent quality, gave about the same, averaging 99.51. Ordinary unannealed wires were found to be much more variable, and a statement in detail of their results is thought to be unnecessary. The same may be said of commercial bar iron. Among the purest of the latter were the sorts made with charcoal, and imported from Norway and Sweden. Nine of these gave:

99.87	99.80	99.60
99.83	99.70	99.62
99.61	99.41	99.56

Imported irons made of the same brand were not found to be uniform in the amount of pure iron. The variation was considered, after some partial examinations, to be due chiefly to differences in contents of carbon, silicon and oxide of iron.

English Iron Making Districts.—Three new iron-making districts will probably be opened in Great Britain during the present year, two furnaces having been completed at Bestwood, in Nottinghamshire, by a company who have secured the mineral rights over some 4000 acres of land, while in the adjoining county of Leicester ironstone has been found. At present, however, there seems to be no great inducement to work it, and 35,000 tons which were raised last year had to be sent away. This is not due to a lack of coal suitable for smelting the stone, since an adjoining coal field, although not large, is a most valuable one, the main seam varying from 12 to 14 feet in thickness. There are, however, strong indications that Leicestershire, with its coal and iron deposits, will at no distant date become an important center of the pig-iron trade. The last of the counties where ironstone has been recently met with is Oxfordshire, and there a large brick plant has been laid down and bricks have been made for the building of a couple of furnaces on the most approved principles by a London company. The only disadvantage connected with the new district is that there is no coal within some considerable distance of it. But the railroad companies hitherto have given favorable rates for coal going into smelting districts, and the necessary supplies could therefore be easily obtained. It appears that the iron trade is gradually extending southward in the direction where it once flourished when ironstone was smelted with charcoal, denuding the extensive forests in that portion of the country of their luxuriant growth of timber.

A Large Output at the Dalziel Steel Works, England.—The Dalziel Steel Works, Motherwell, England, have recently produced a large quantity of finished steel plates. During the day shift of 12 hours, on June 8, two large heating furnaces worked with gas on the Siemens heat regenerative system, were charged with 66 tons of steel, from which were obtained finished steel plates having a total weight of 52 tons and 1 cwt., and during the night shift immediately following, the same two heating furnaces were charged with 67 tons and 3 cwt. of steel, from which a yield of finished plates was obtained amounting to 52 tons and 3 cwt. The total weight of finished plates thus turned out in 24 hours finished and ready for shipbuilders was 104 tons and 3 cwt. During the day shift of the same day the 12-ton steam hammer at the works hammered 73 tons and 7 cwt. of steel ingots, yielding a total of 67 tons of finished steel slabs, and in the course of the following night shift the same hammer worked 79 tons of ingots into finished steel slabs, having a total weight of 73 tons and 4 cwt. In this way, starting with 152 tons and 7 cwt. of ingots which were thoroughly hammered, a yield of finished slabs amounting to 140 tons and 4 cwt. was obtained in 24 hours, three heating furnaces being employed in the work. It is claimed that such a large quantity of finished steel plates and slabs has never hitherto been produced in the same number of furnaces and hammered in any other steel works either in Scotland or England.

Carrier Pigeons and Lightships.—The question of connecting lightships with the main land by means of cables has been repeatedly propounded, but owing to the many difficulties opposing its execution, the project will probably never be carried out. A more perfect means of communicating with lightships has been established on the German Coast, the German Admiralty having definitely resolved to employ carrier pigeons in the coast-guard service. All experiments made in this direction by the German Government on the coast of the North Sea since 1876 have been successful. The system of dispatching the pigeons has been most thoroughly tested and found to answer admirably. Two stations for carrier pigeons have been established, and extraordinary accounts are given of the speed of the birds employed. The communication, as now established, is of considerable importance, not only for the lightships themselves, but for incoming vessels if disabled.

INDUSTRIAL ITEMS.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The White Mountain Freezer Company have broken ground for the erection of a new foundry in connection with their works in Nashua. The foundry will be 75 by 50 feet.

MASSACHUSETTS.

A building in Cambridgeport, fitted up for and formerly occupied as a brass foundry, has just been taken by a concern known as the Cambridge Brass Foundry, who begin operations this week. All sorts of jobbing work will be attended to, as well as steam engine, mill and mining machinery brass work.

The Clinching Screw Company's building is nearly ready for occupancy. Work will soon be commenced on the Estabrook & Wires shop, to be located in front of the Clinching Screw quarters. The screw company are turning out over 600 pounds of screws per day, and at that rate cannot keep up with their orders.

The engine building shop of Mr. Jerome Wheelock, at Worcester, presents a source of great activity. There are now approaching completion a 500 horse-power engine for a grain elevator in Burlington, Iowa, a pair of engines aggregating 1000 horse-power, for a cotton mill at Baltimore, Md., and a 250 horse-power engine for a wire mill at Joliet, Ill., besides a number of smaller ones ranging from 50 to 150 horse-power. A 500 horse-power engine from Mr. Wheelock's shop has just been started in a flour mill at St. Louis, Mo., and another of the same size is being set up at Council Bluffs, Iowa.—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

The Mason Machine Works, at Taunton, are to build 500 looms for the Metacomet Mill, Fall River.

The Murdoch Parlor Grate Company is erecting a brass foundry at South Carver.

The Laneborough Furnace of John L. Colby was destroyed by fire in the latter part of June, by which 200 men are thrown out of employment. The loss is estimated at \$75,000, on which there is \$50,000 insurance.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Follett Machine Works, at Woonsocket, are obliged to run night and day to complete orders already received.

The Mechanics' Machine Company, at Warren, have voted to lease the property.

CONNECTICUT.

The Hendey Machine Company, at Torrington, are putting a new Corliss engine into their works.

The directors of the Corbin Cabinet Lock, New Britain, will commence business in their new factory building on or about September 1.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The rolling mills of Charles Huston & Sons, of Coatesville, have been closed for the purpose of undergoing repairs, which will require about a month for their completion. These are the oldest works in the State, and it will be the longest time they have ever been closed since they started.

The Chickies Iron Company has contracted with the Conewago Iron Company, of Middletown, to manufacture the "Chickies" brand exclusively for them and under their direction. They will then have three furnaces running on the same uniform mixture of ores.

It is reported that Thomas Thomas, of Erie, has secured a lease of the Hubbard, Ohio, rolling mill, and that it will be started under his management in a short time.

The foundations for the new forge of Reilly, Seidel & Co., near Harrisburg, are almost completed and the main buildings are being framed. A siding has been constructed from the Pennsylvania Railroad, and the work will be pushed to an early completion.

The Allentown Rolling Mills were sold last week to Charles Gilpin, of Philadelphia, on account of the bondholders, who are A. Pardee & Co., for \$200,000. The bonded indebtedness was \$800,000, of which Pardee & Co. held \$600,000 originally, and lately purchased the balance at 50 cents on the dollar. They held book accounts against the concern to the amount of \$1,300,000, so that although they appear to have secured a great bargain for \$200,000, the works actually cost them about \$2,000,000. The works will be run by the owners, and under private management will no doubt be more properly conducted than formerly. The heaviest loser in these mills, next to the Pardees, is General William Lilly, of Mauch Chunk, who sunk a round \$100,000 in the concern. All the present stockholders lose every cent they invested.

At the furnace of the Warwick Iron Company, for the week ending Saturday, June 24, 376 1/2 tons of pig iron were manufactured.

Repairs are being made at the Shawnee Rolling Mill, Columbia, and it is reported that it will be converted into a bar mill and resume operations at an early day.

The necessary amount of capital required by the Co-operative Stove Foundry Association at Spring City, to succeed the Keely Works, has been subscribed, and operations will be begun as soon as the machinery and patterns published by the Columbia Company are removed.

PITTSBURGH AND VICINITY.

The Pittsburgh Locomotive Works have been closed for repairs. The machinery is being thoroughly overhauled, and new shafting, &c., is being put in place. The cost of the improvement will aggregate \$7000. The new offices of the works, which have been in course of erection for the last few weeks, will be completed shortly.

It is stated that the two blast furnaces erected at Port Washington, Ohio, in 1874 by a Scotch Company, at a cost of \$304,000, were sold a few weeks ago to a Pittsburgh concern, and that they will be removed to Pittsburgh. The Scotch company is said to have sunk \$2,000,000 in the enterprise, largely through bad management.

The National Tube Works, of McKeesport, have suspended operations on account of a scarcity of iron. This is the first suspension since the establishment was built, eight years ago. The number of idle men in the town is increased nearly 2000.

A number of establishments shut down last week for repairs, among them Singer,

Nimick & Co., Smith, Sutton & Co., Hubbard, Bakewell & Co., and several glass factories.

OHIO.

The Stockwell Screw and Machine Company, of Cleveland, are making important changes in their factory so as to enable them to promptly fill their numerous orders.

The Barney & Smith Mfg. Co., of Dayton, are actively engaged in the construction of passenger and freight cars, from three to four months' orders from old contracts having not yet been filled. They have just received a new steam hammer and employ 1200 men.

Messrs. W. P. Callahan & Co., of Dayton, are extremely busy just at present, and even when running 24 hours per day are not able to fill all their orders in due time. A machine shop, 60 x 80 feet, and a foundry floor, 50 x 120 feet, have just been added.

The Lechner Mfg. Co., Columbus, manufacturers of the Lechner mining machines and anti-friction roller detachable chains for transmitting power, are very busy, and are at this time working upon some good orders for both the chains and mining machines.

The East Liverpool Glass Company, limited, have their extensive new works under roof, their furnace built, and work in all departments moving on rapidly toward an early completion. They expect to commence manufacturing by August 1st.

A dispatch from Martin's Ferry says that the new building of the Union Glass Works there was partially destroyed by a great storm which visited that place last week. The extent of the damages has not yet been ascertained.

The Greenwood Machine Co., Columbus, have reorganized under the title of Vulcan Iron Works, with the following officers: W. S. Ide, president; R. T. Clark, manager; James Greenwood, vice-president. The works will hereafter be devoted to the manufacture of a line of machine tools controlled by the new company, prominent among these being the Vulcan steam hammer.

The Youngstown Malleable Iron Company are about making a new addition to their works, 70 feet wide and 150 long. In addition to filling orders for the jobbing trade, the concern will manufacture the following goods: Lambert's malleable iron fellows, Oviatt's "Common Sense" riser and lock, and the New York "German" and "Victor" harness snaps. With the new addition completed and the establishment running full, it will furnish employment to 125 persons.

Members of the Amalgamated Association of Steel and Iron Workers are about to establish a co-operative rolling mill at Leontonia, where a bargain has been closed for the purchase of an old, unused mill. The persons engaged in the enterprise will fit it up at once with the largest improved appliances, and begin work in the fall.—Trade Review. This probably refers to the old mill of the Leontonia Nail and Bolt Co., which contains nothing but a few heating furnaces. It is to be hoped that the project will be realized as above.

The glass works of Stoehr, Keech & Co., at Massillon, is nearly completed, and will be ready for operation on August 1. They will make colored table ware, and have four tank furnaces.

Taplin, Rice & Co., Akron, who employ 150 hands, have purchased the Sieberling Machine Works, which are now in running order.

Lawrence Mill, at Ironton, will stop early this month in order to make some repairs, line up machinery, &c. They expect to be shut down about three weeks.

Work has commenced at the Ironton Hoe and Tool Company's establishment. Alice Furnace is running smoothly, and is turning out 60 to 65 tons daily.

ILLINOIS.

All the departments, excepting the blast furnaces, of the Union Iron and Steel Company's works, at Chicago, are in active operation. The new blooming train recently placed in the works is progressing finely, but no definite information can be given as to when the entire works will be running.

The Peru Plow Company has been reorganized, and the works will again be put in operation, with a capital of \$125,000.

The Freble Machine Works Co. have taken contracts for a full line of machinery for the Duluth Lumber Co. They have also sold machinery to go into the recently burned out mill of Kaesberg & Rinn. They have furnished one of their double surfacers to the Diamond Watch Co., and one to H. Paeschke, of this city, and have sold two of their new style siding saws to city mills. This firm have recently increased their facilities of manufacture by adding new tools to their already large outfit.—Chicago Industrial World.

The Hardy Rotary Engine Co., Chicago, are putting additional machinery in their works and business with them is good. In addition to the other uses to which they are adapted, their rotary engines are particularly well designed to run the machinery used in making the electrical light.

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It is expected that the Jacksonville Car Works will soon be put in active operation.

KENTUCKY.

The Swift's Iron and Steel Works, of Cincinnati, Ohio, are busy in all branches of their Newport and Riverside mills. Two new sheet trains will be started at Riverside in a short time, while four new double-flue boilers, with gas furnaces, are being erected at Newport.

Ashland Furnace is making 389 tons per week.

INDIANA.

One furnace of the Wabash Iron Company, of Terre Haute, has recently been blown in, and will probably continue working for some time.

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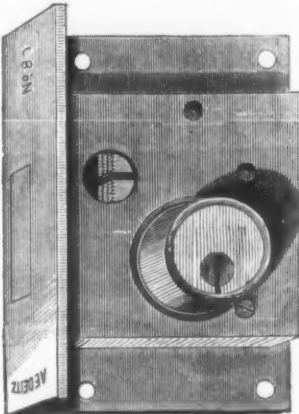
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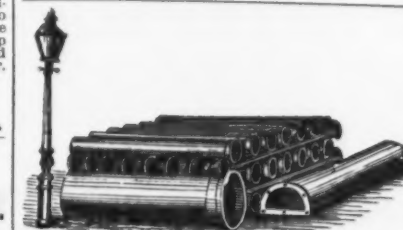
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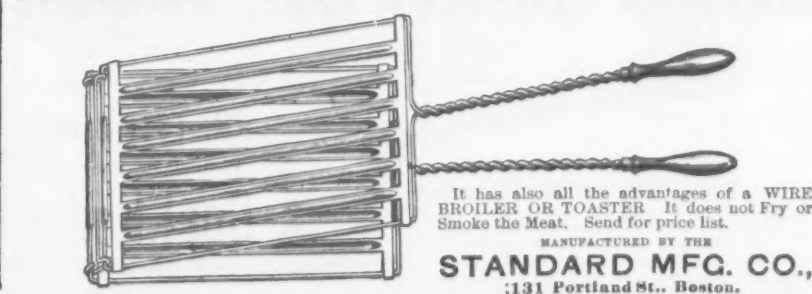
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The following table exhibits, in gross tons, the total lake shipments of iron ore from upper peninsula ports the present season, up to and including June 28, together with the amount shipped during a corresponding period last year:

Name of port	1881.	1882.
Escanaba	777,430	596,299
Marquette	159,118	131,500
L'Anse	12,553	15,670
St. Ignace	2,784	3
Total	949,885	743,472

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On and after July 1st, on business from Boston, New York, Philadelphia or Baltimore, destined to or through St. Joseph, Atchison, Leavenworth or Kansas City, carried via all-rail routes from point of shipment to destination, the following arbitraries to the four Missouri River points last named will apply:

	First.	Second.	Third.	Fourth.	Spl.
Detroit	.04	.75	.55	.30	.34
Toledo	.04	.71	.50	.37	.30
Chicago	.06	.60	.43	.30	.25
Mo. Riv. points	.65	.50	.65	.24	.19

The following rates in cents per 100 pounds will apply on shipments from same seaboard points via all-rail routes destined to Missouri River:

	Machinery or Agr. Impls. C. L. Released.	Portland Cement, C. L.	Fruit, C. L.
Detroit	.40	.57	.57
Toledo	.38	.54	.53
Chicago	.31	.47	.30
Mo. Riv. points	.25	.19	.28

	Sugar, Syrup and Molasses, lbs. C. L.	Car-Emigrant Movable, C. L.	C. L. p. car.
Detroit	.34	.37	
Toledo	.31	.34	\$75.00
Chicago	.25	.24	52.60
Mo. Riv. pts.	.20	.12	35.60

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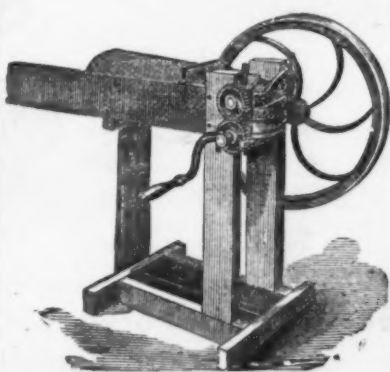
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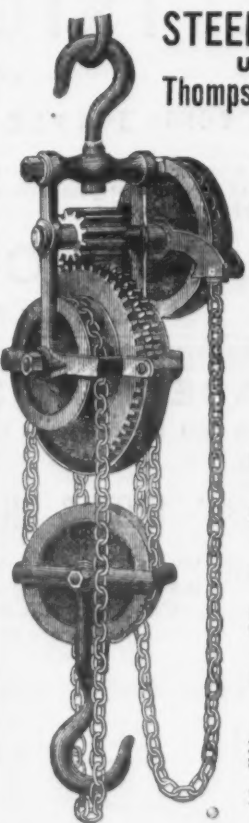
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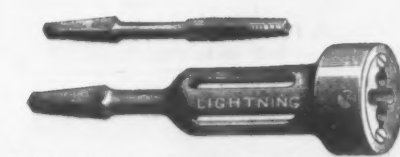
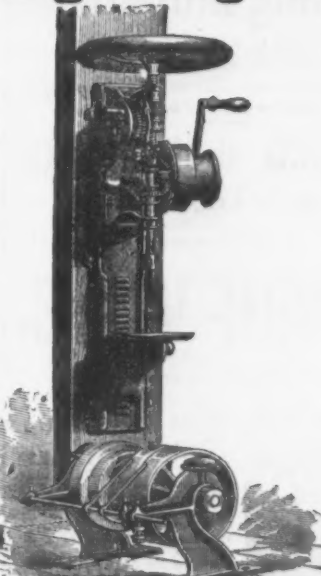
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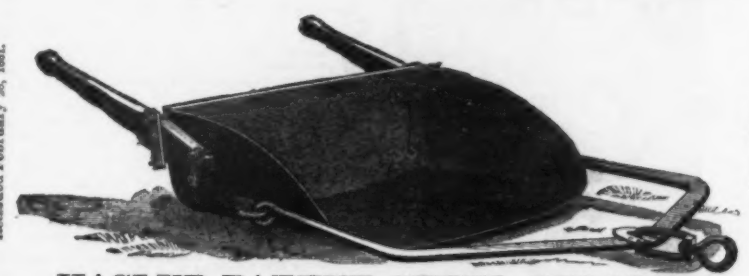
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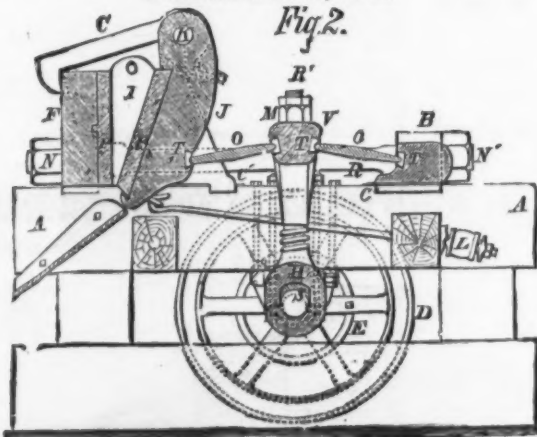
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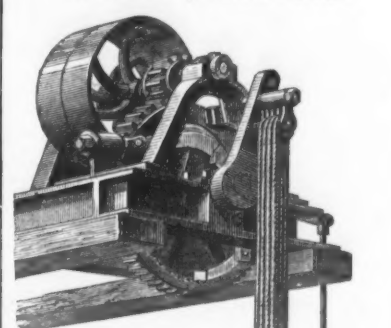
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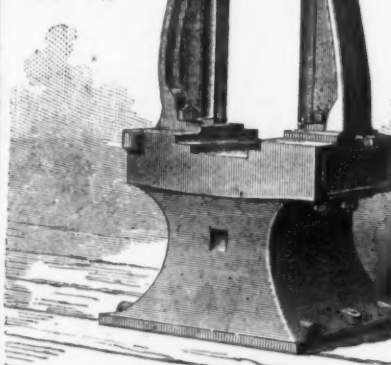
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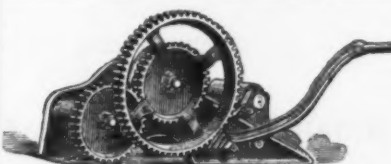
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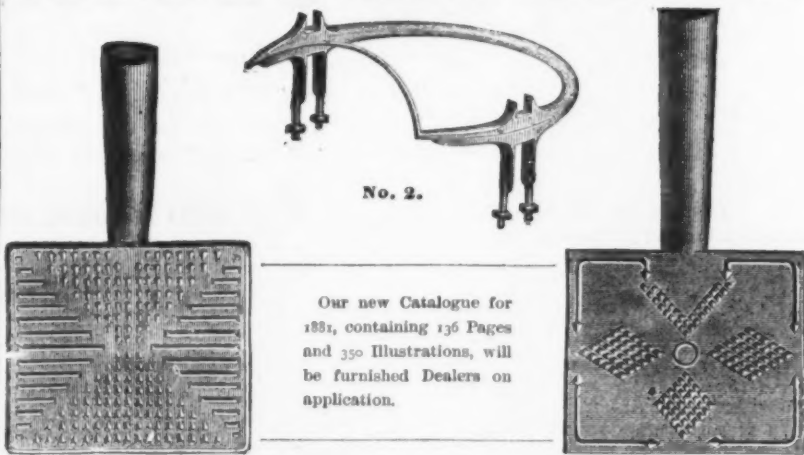
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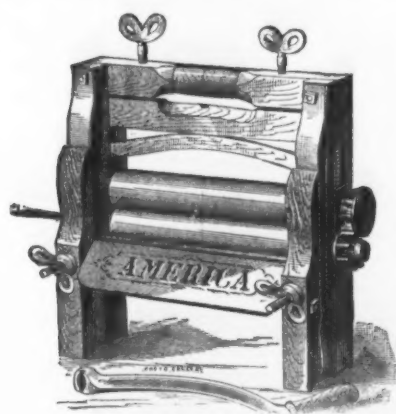
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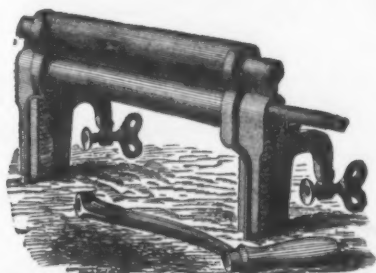
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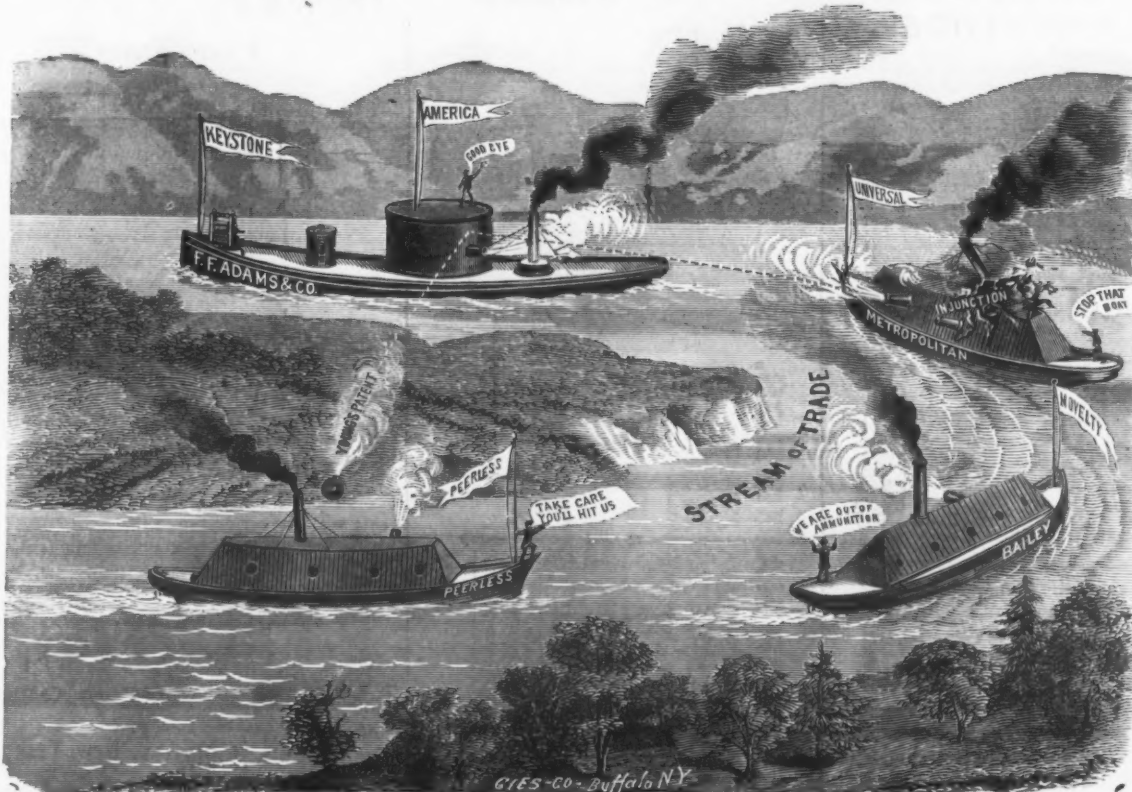
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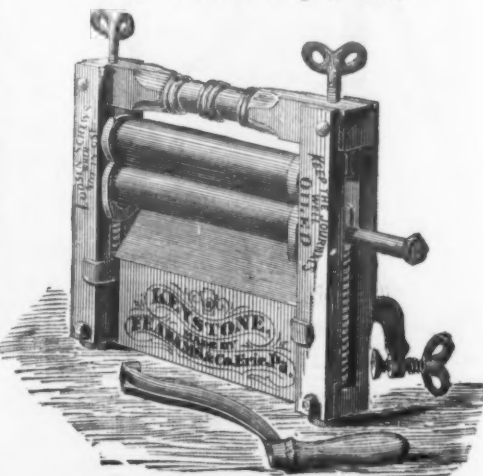
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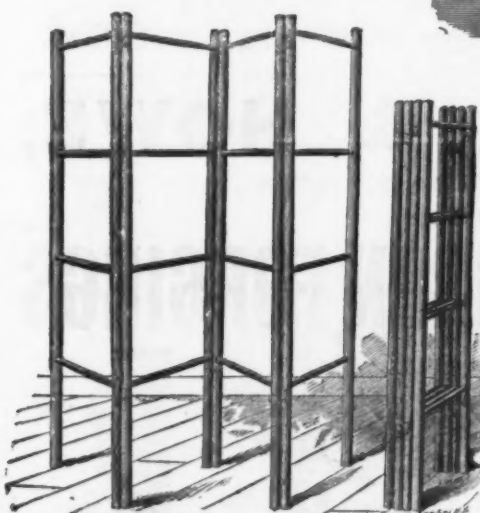
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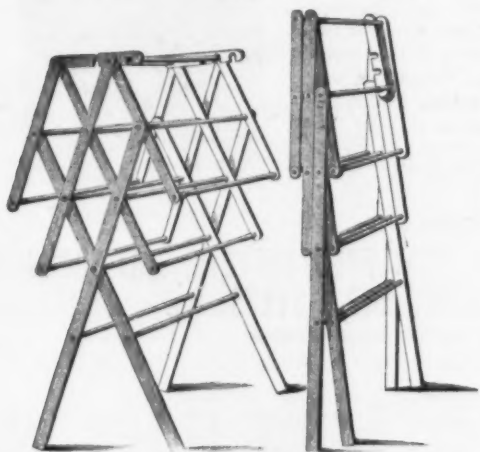


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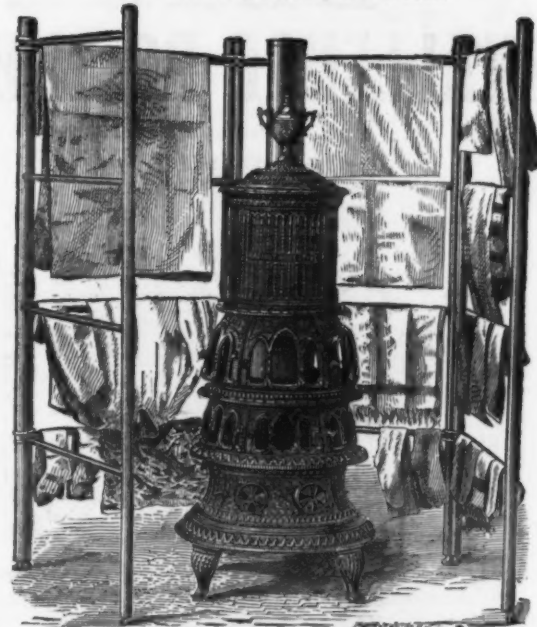
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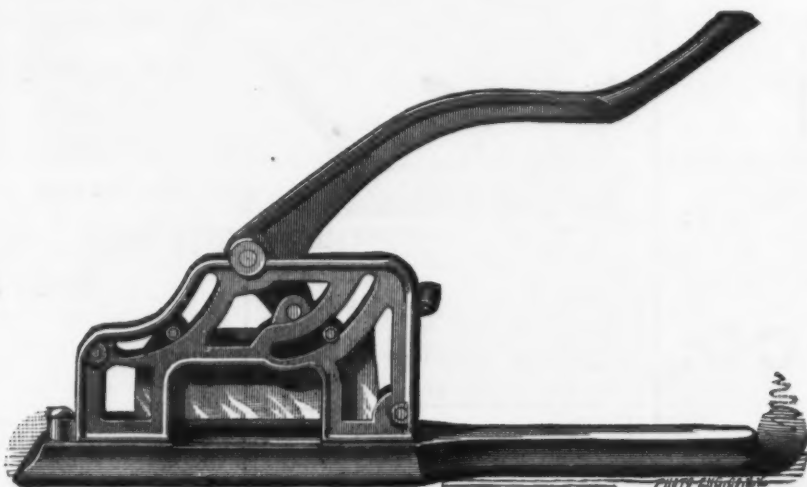
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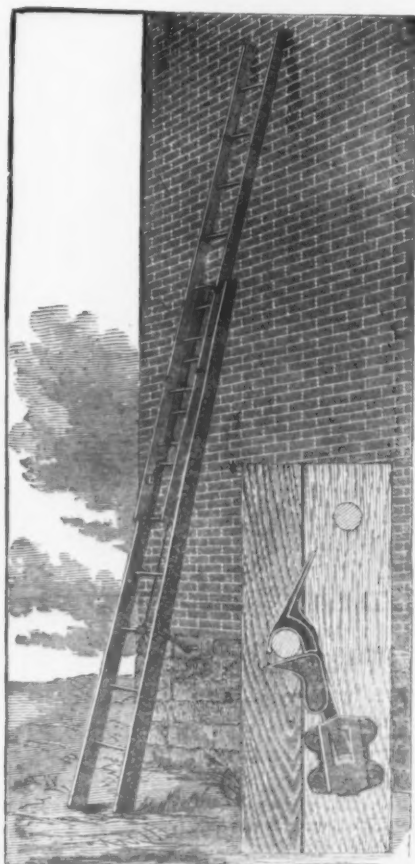
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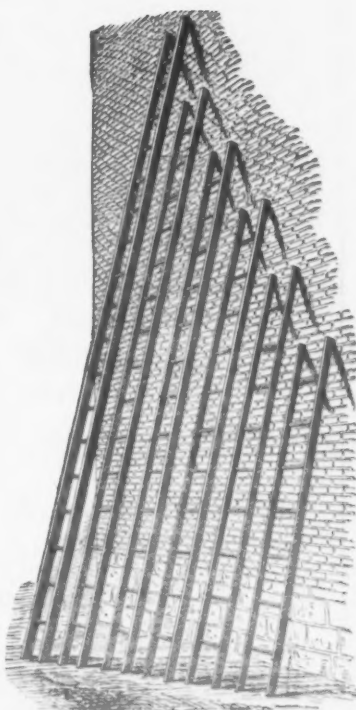
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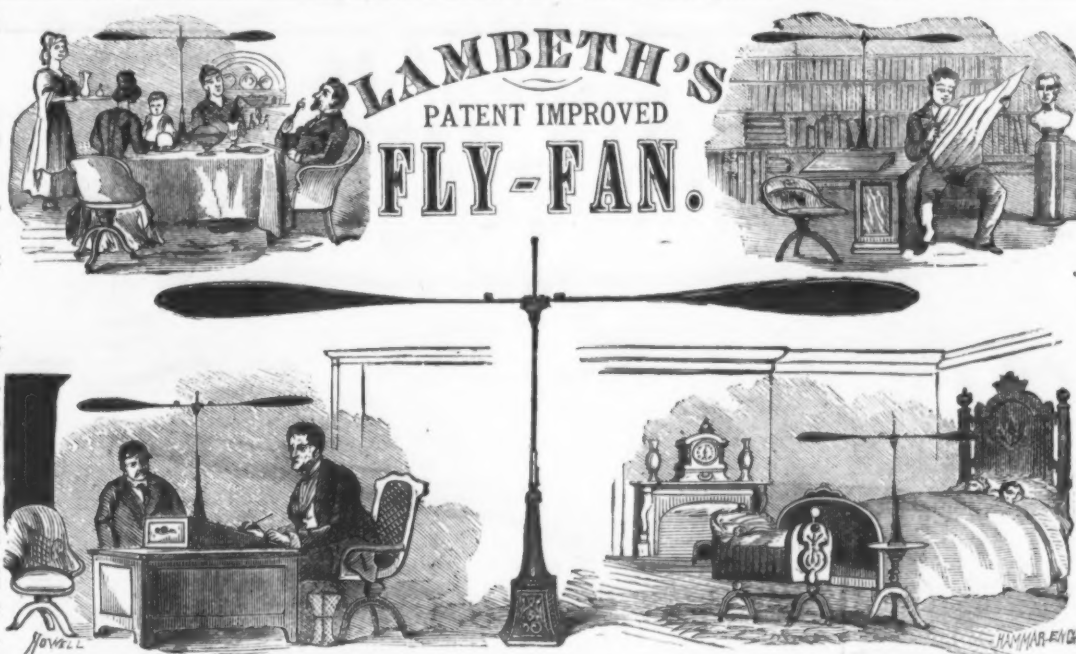
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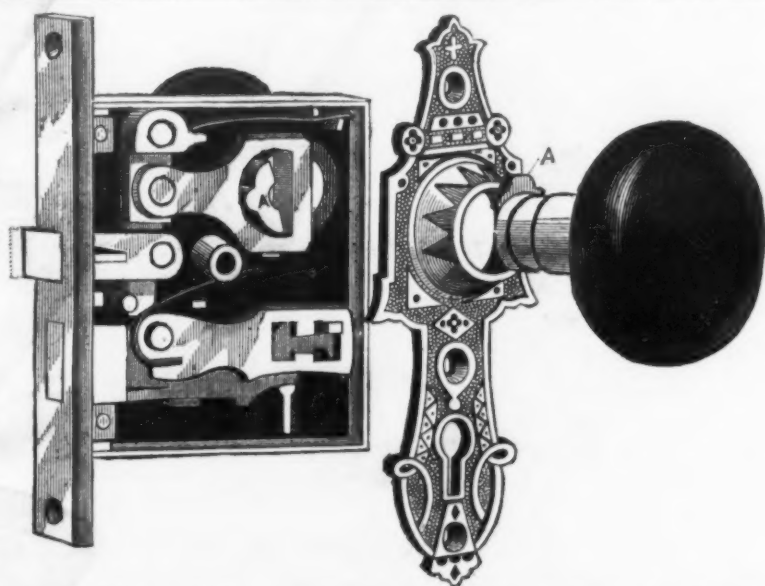
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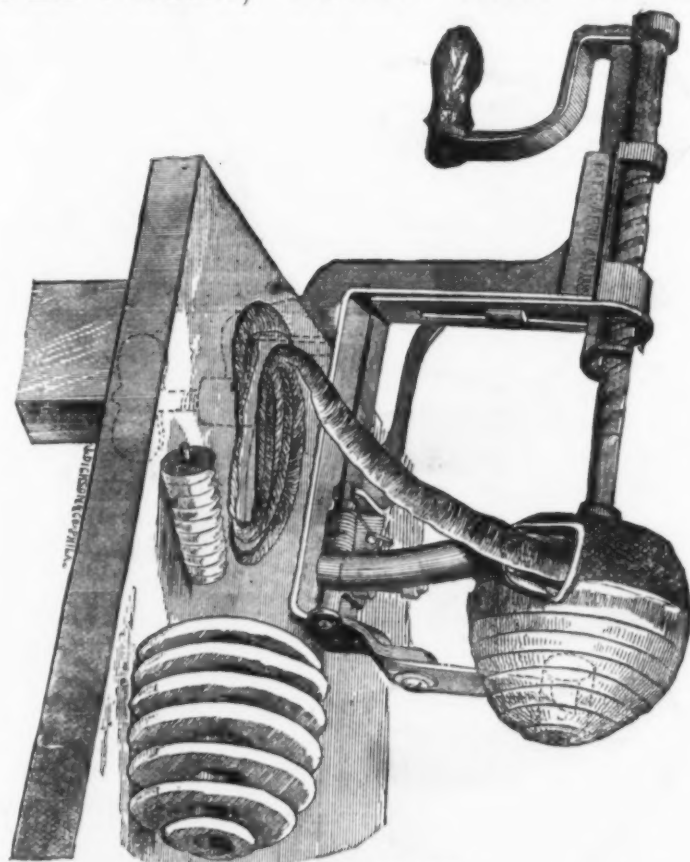
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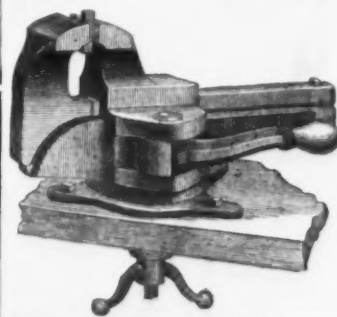
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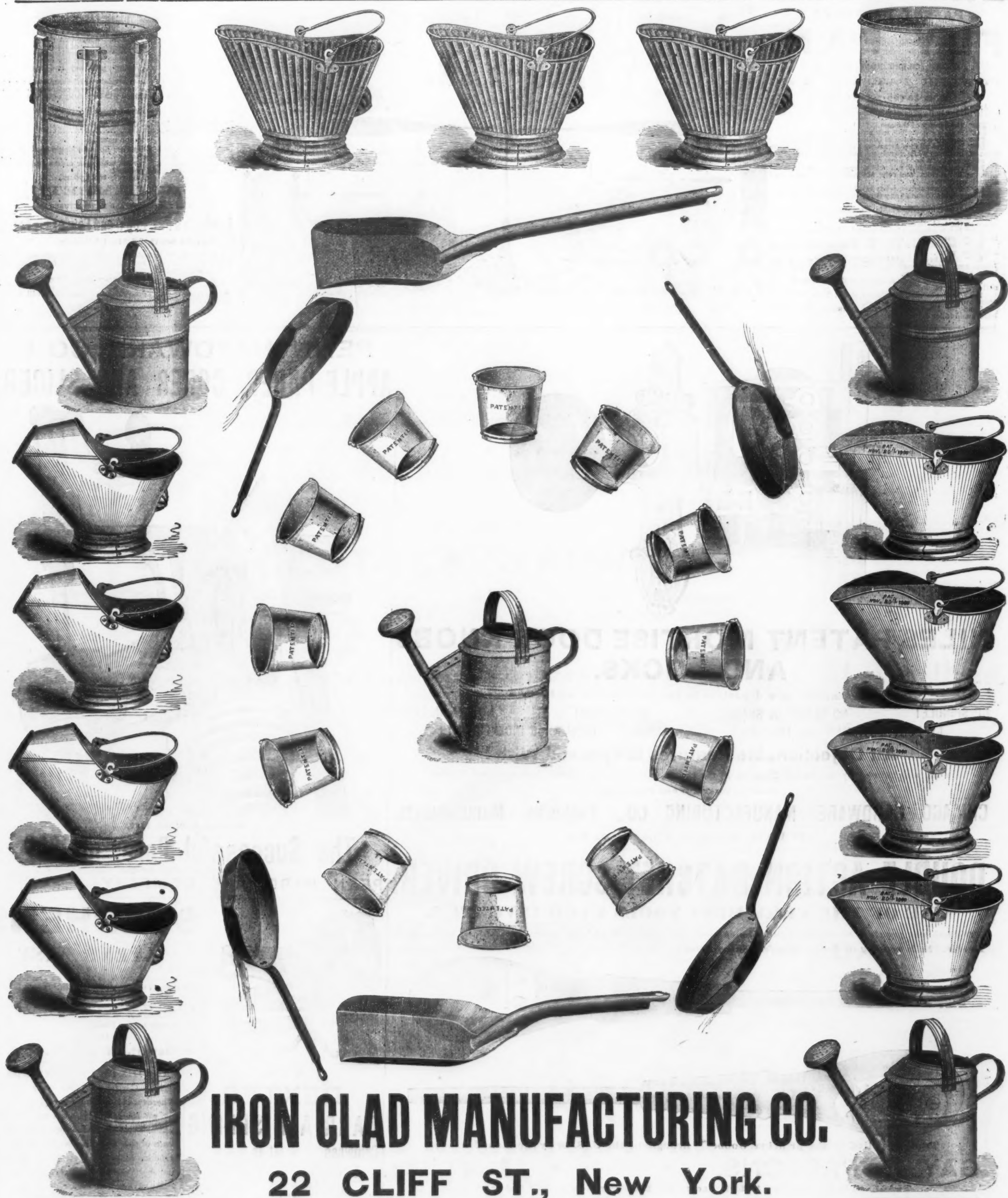
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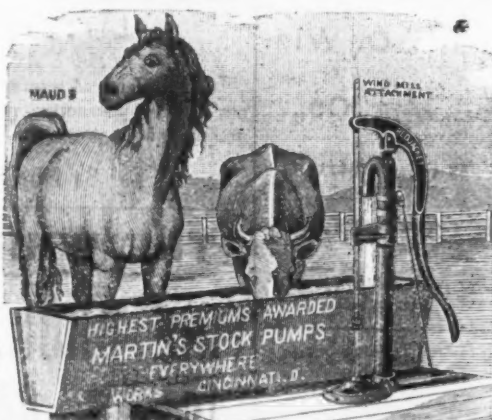
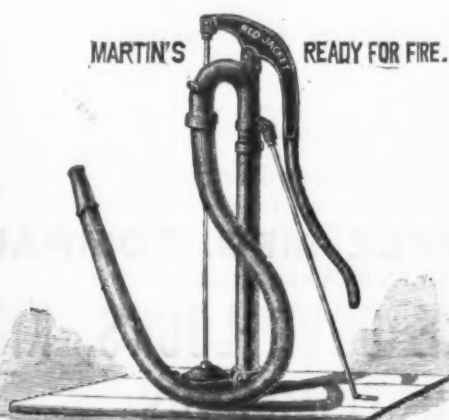
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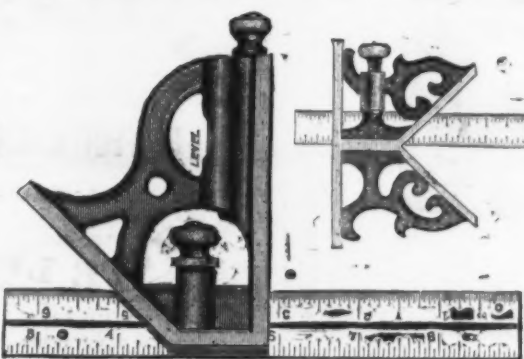


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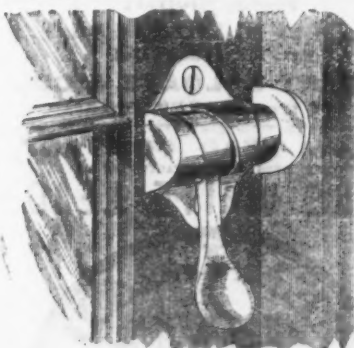
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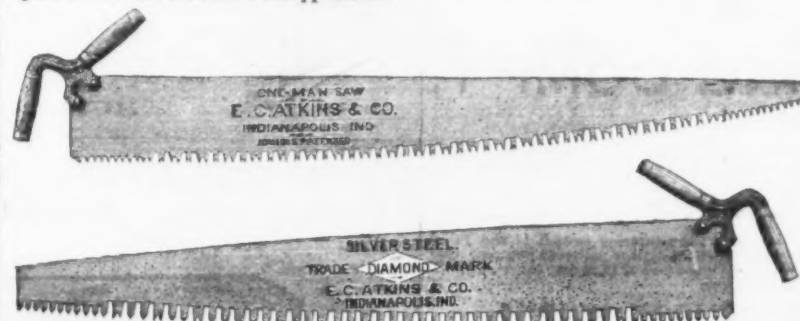
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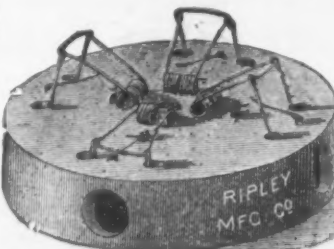


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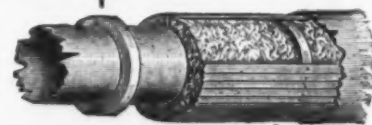
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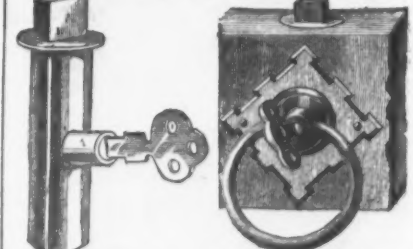
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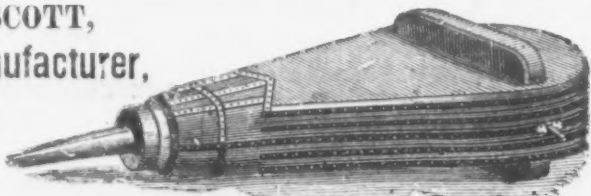


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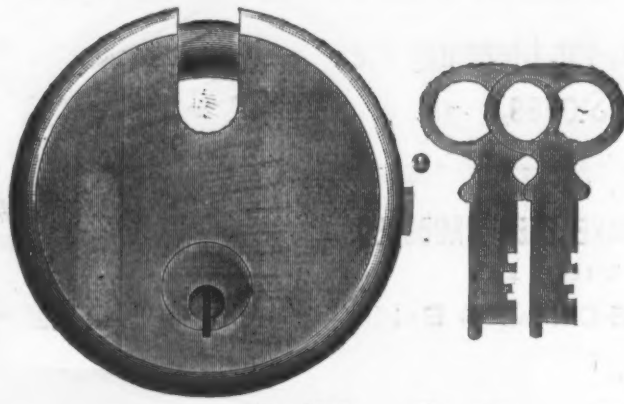
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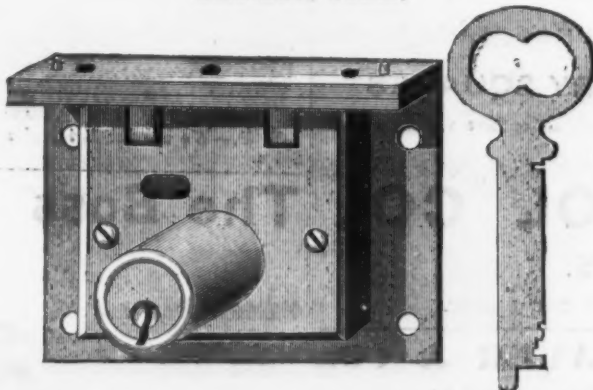
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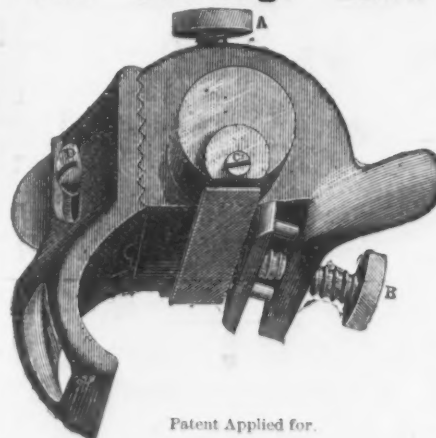
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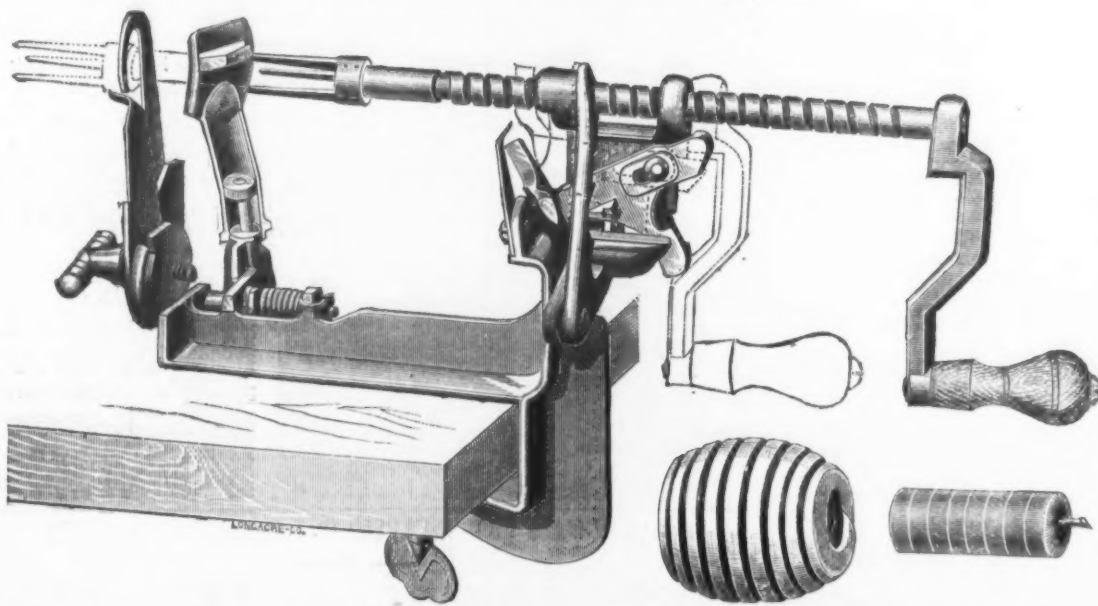
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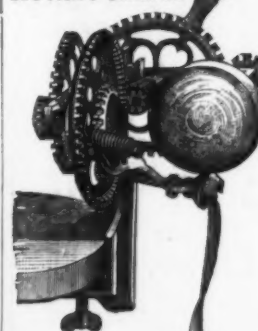
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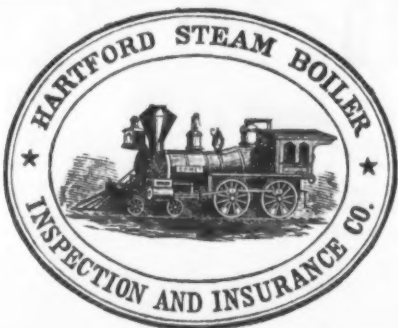
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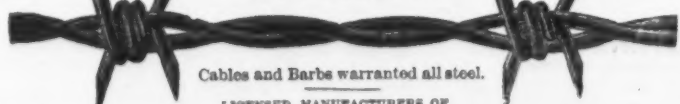
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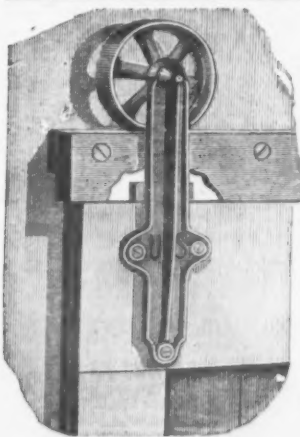
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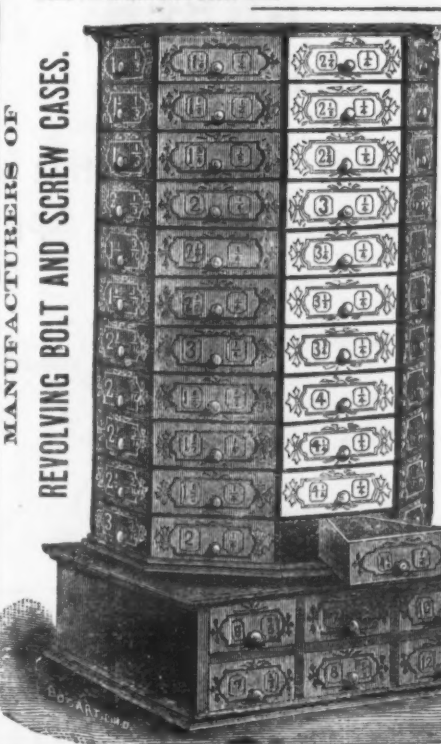
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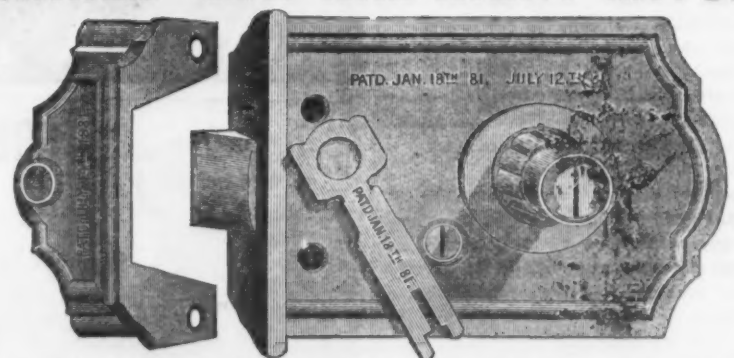
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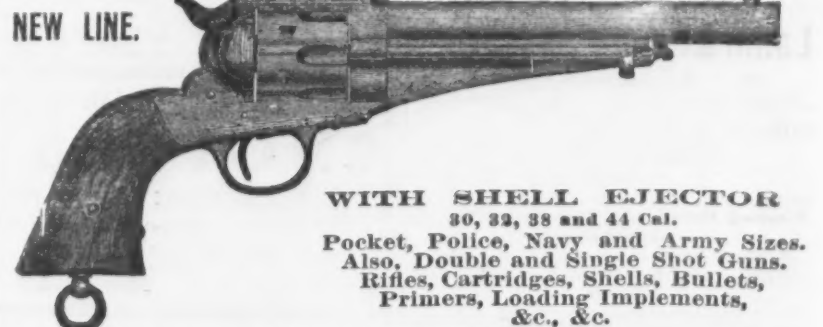
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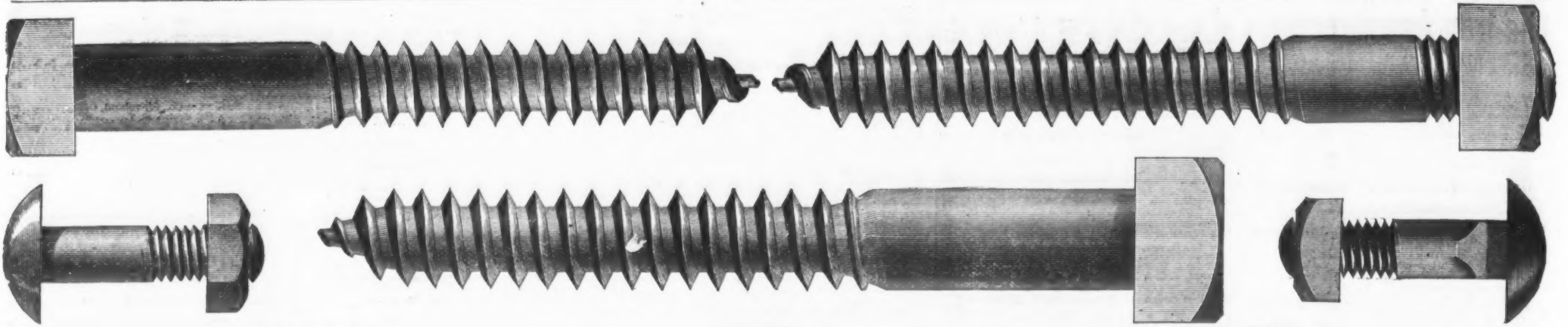


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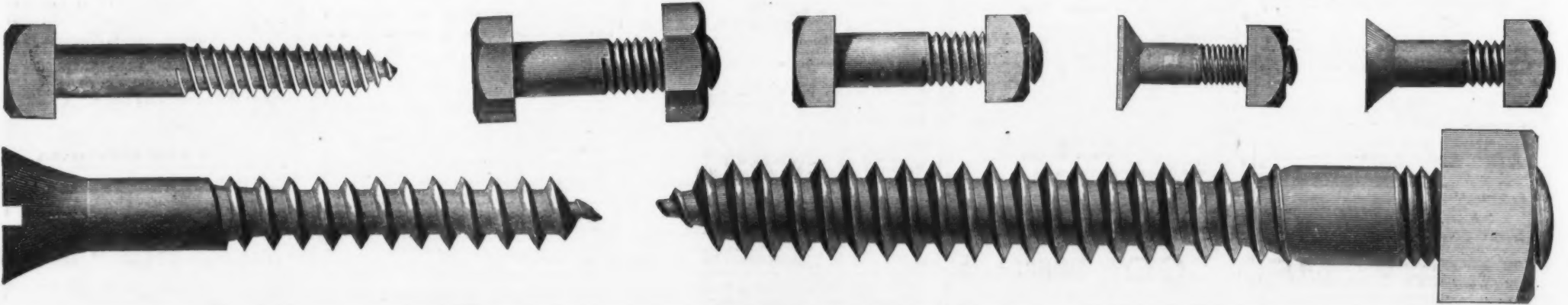
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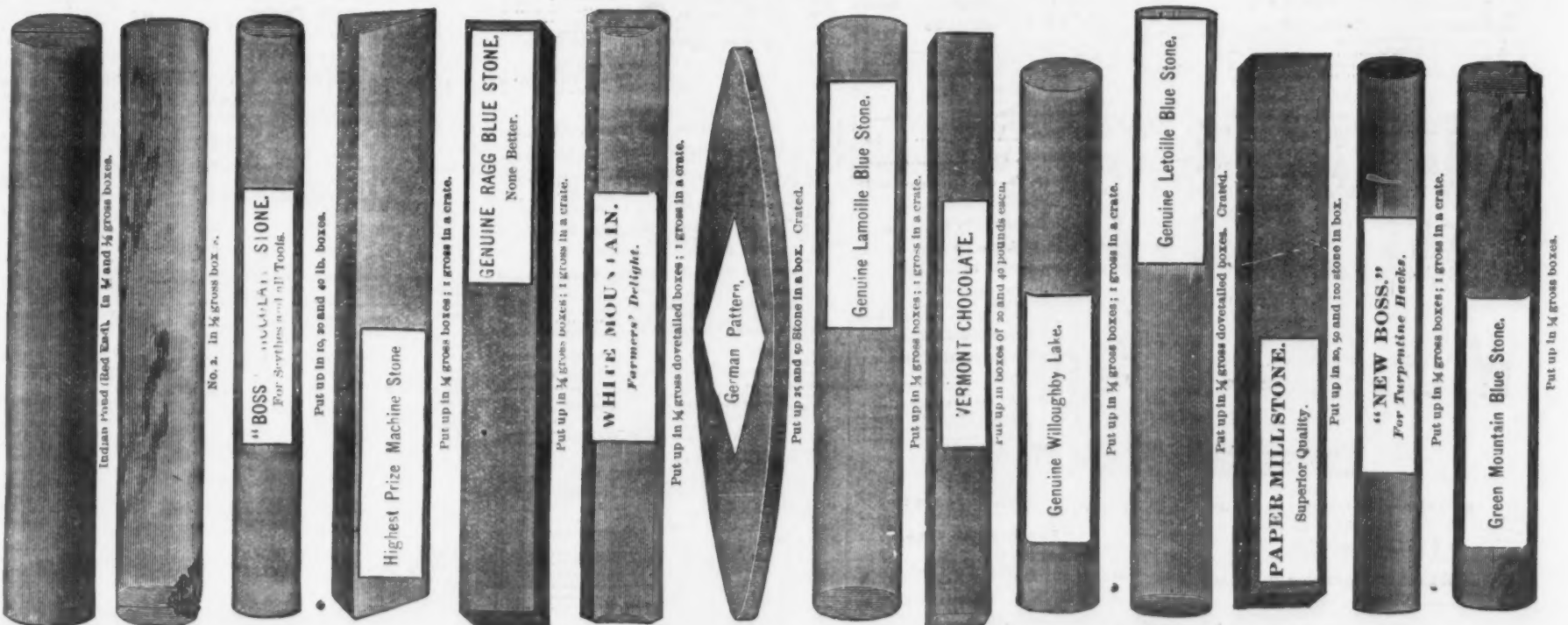
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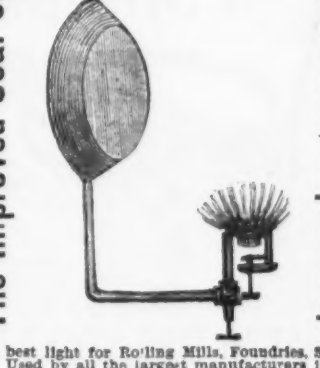


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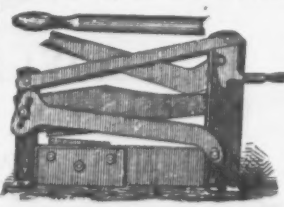
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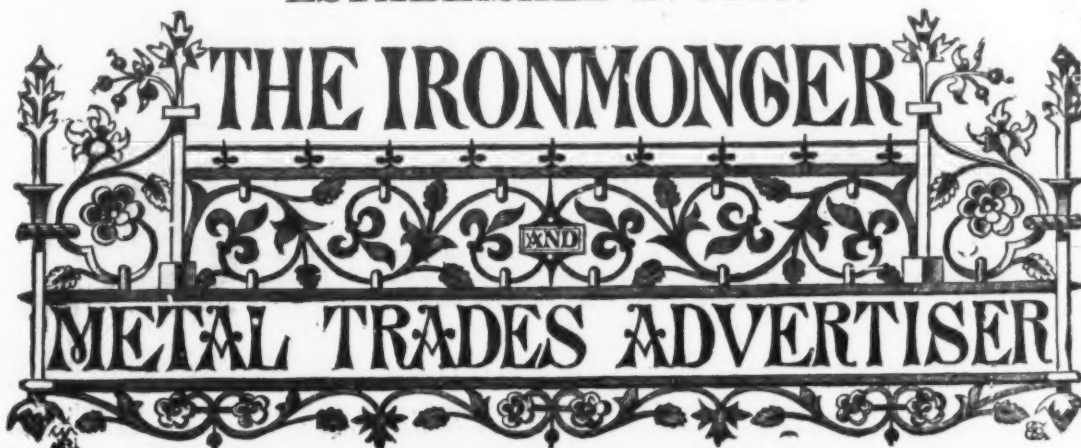
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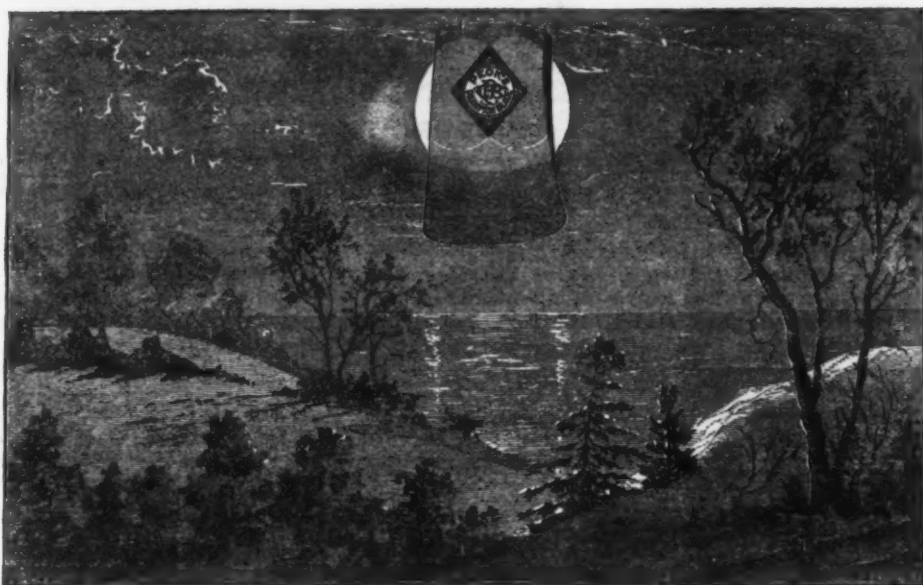
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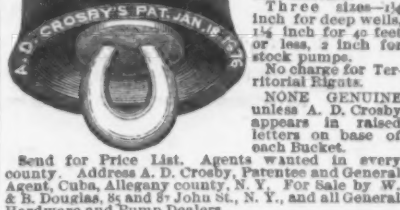
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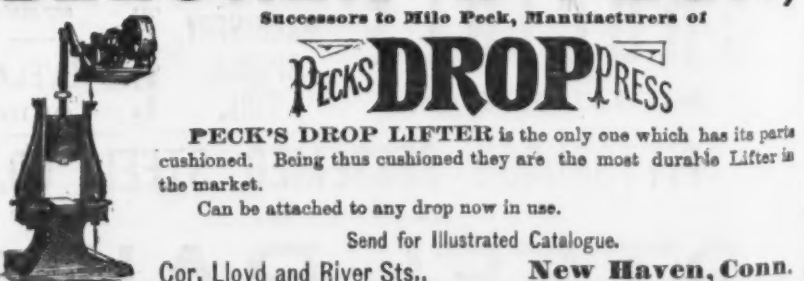
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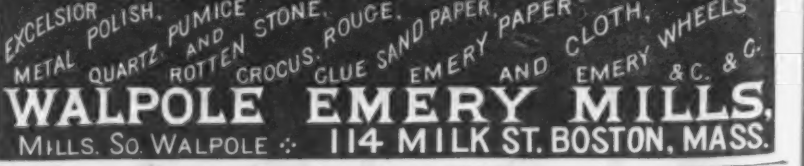
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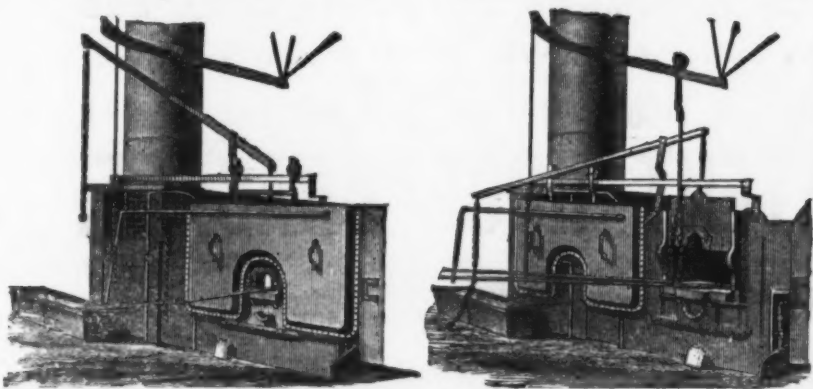
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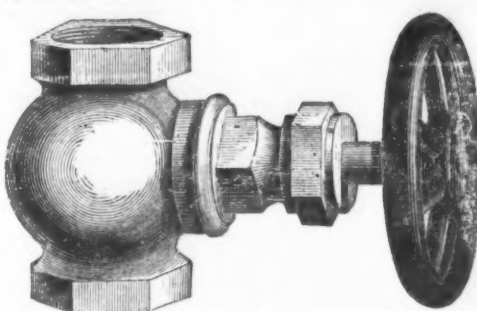
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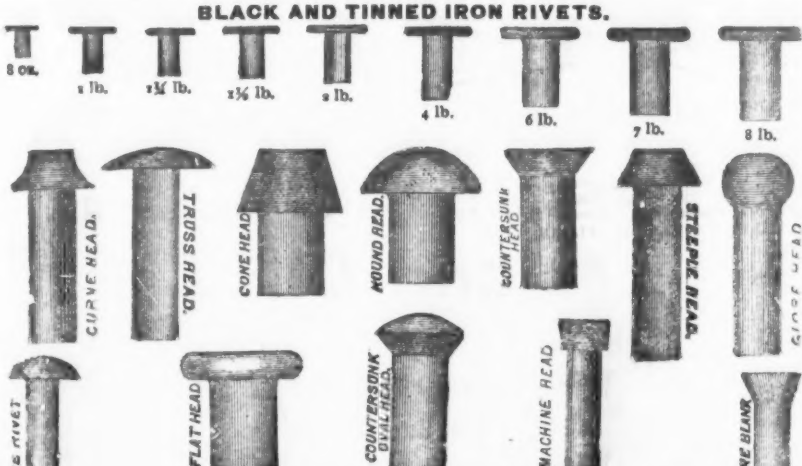
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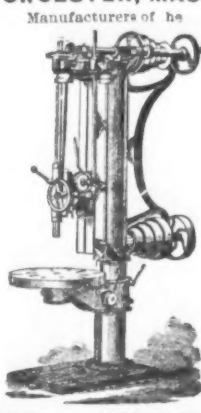
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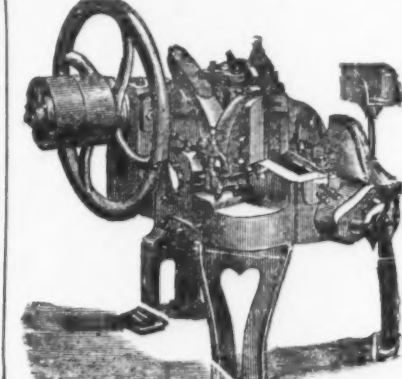
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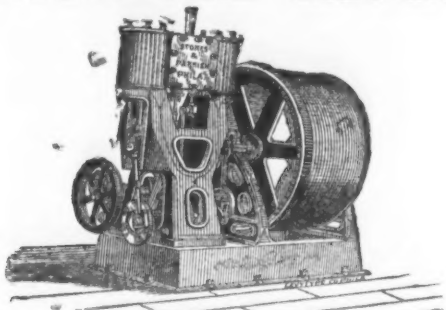
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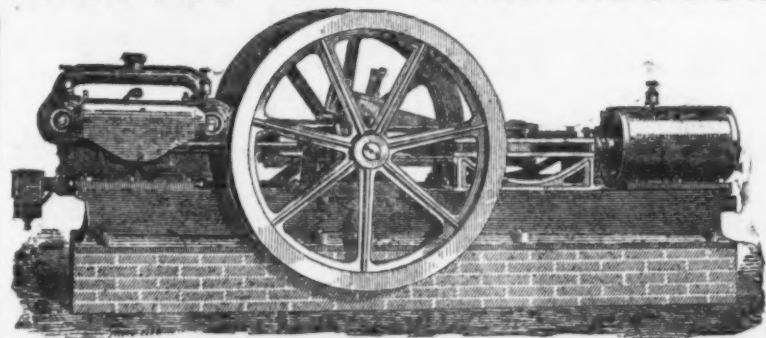
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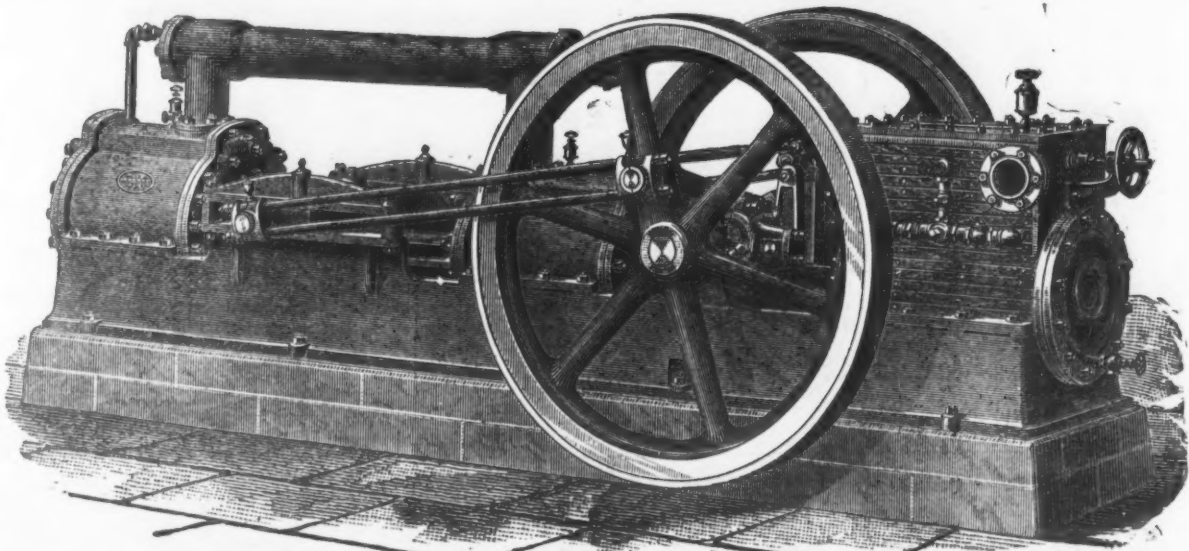
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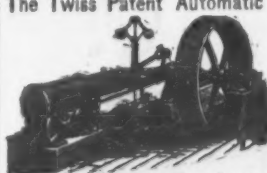
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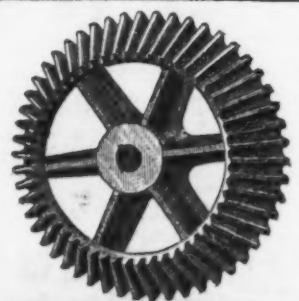
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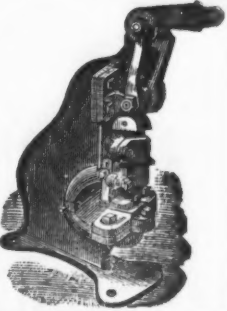
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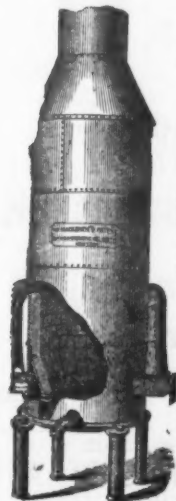
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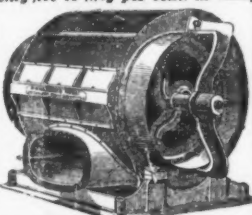


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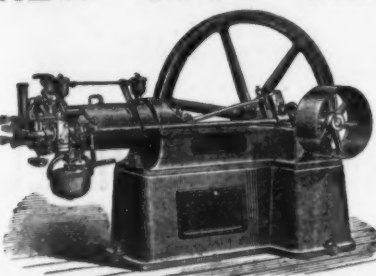
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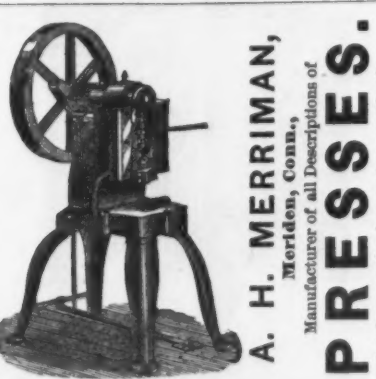
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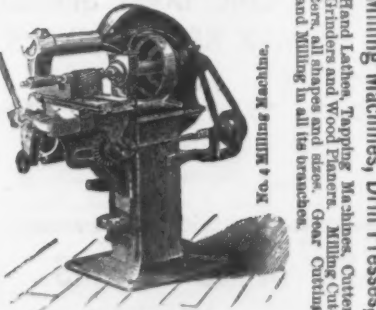
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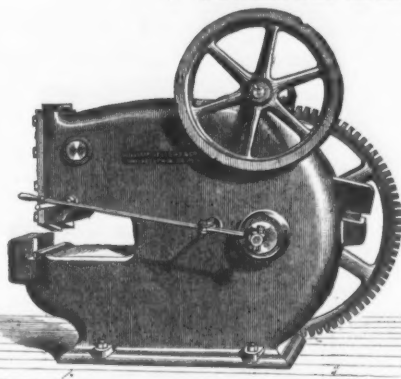
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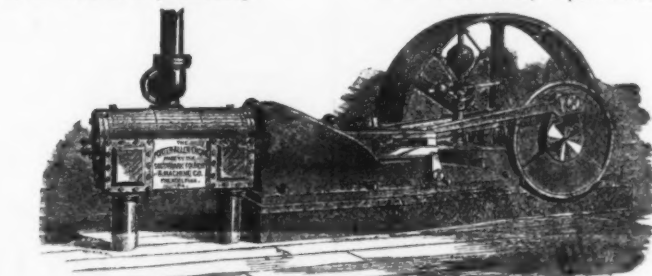
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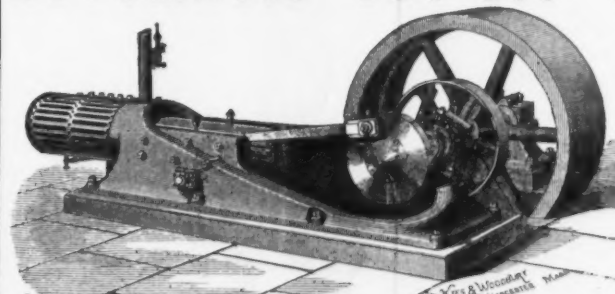
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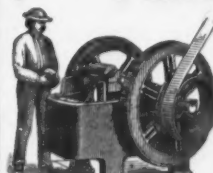


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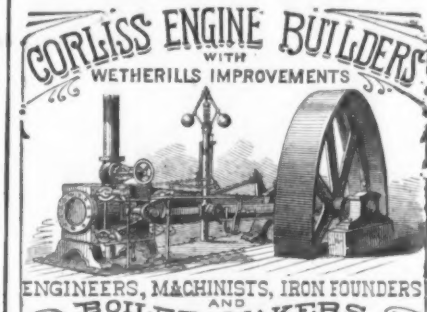


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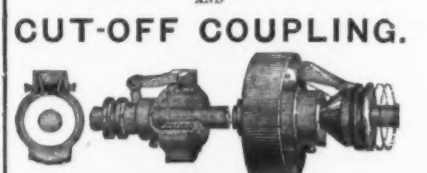
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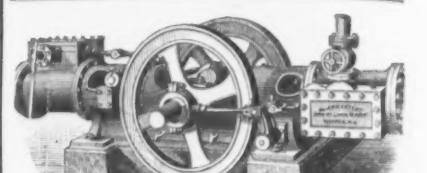
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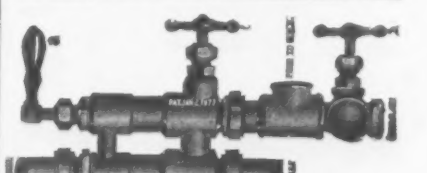
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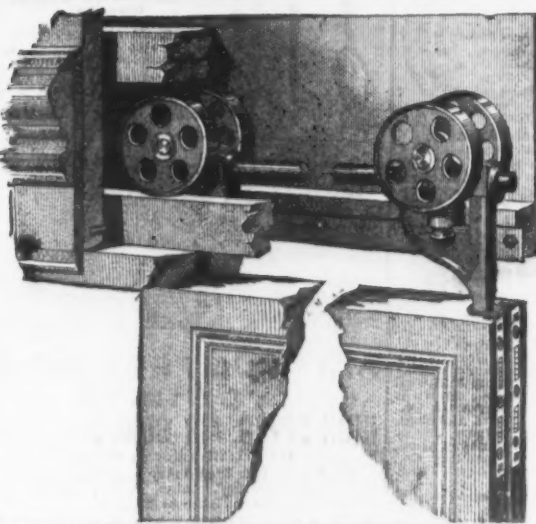
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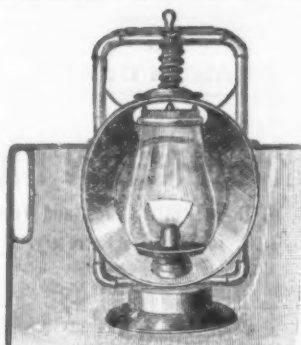
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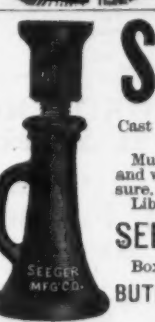
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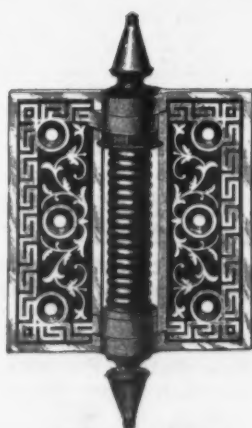
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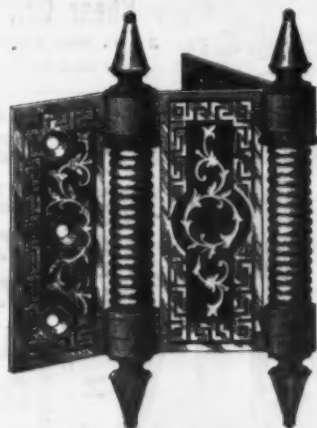
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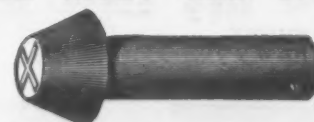
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